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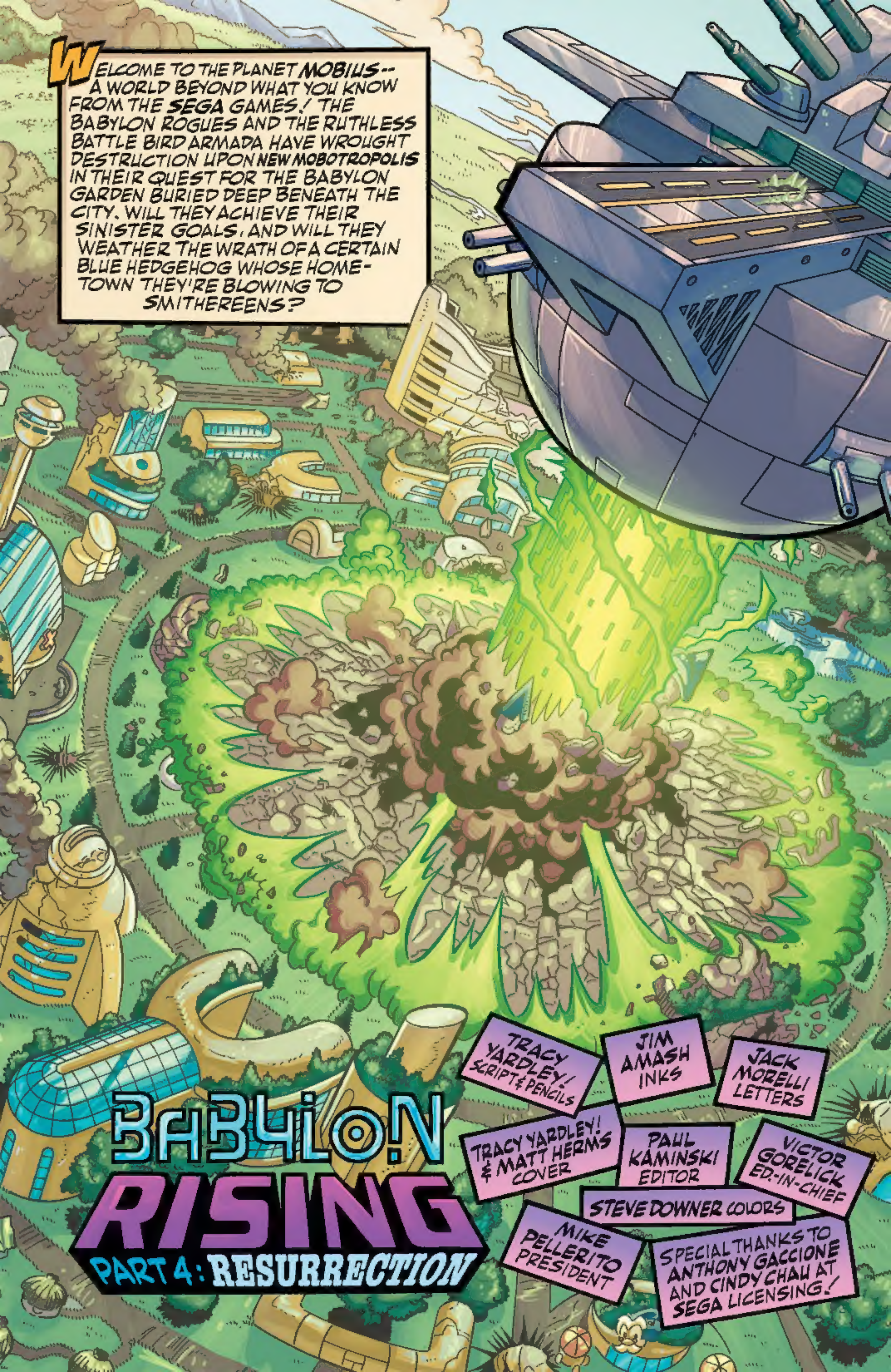
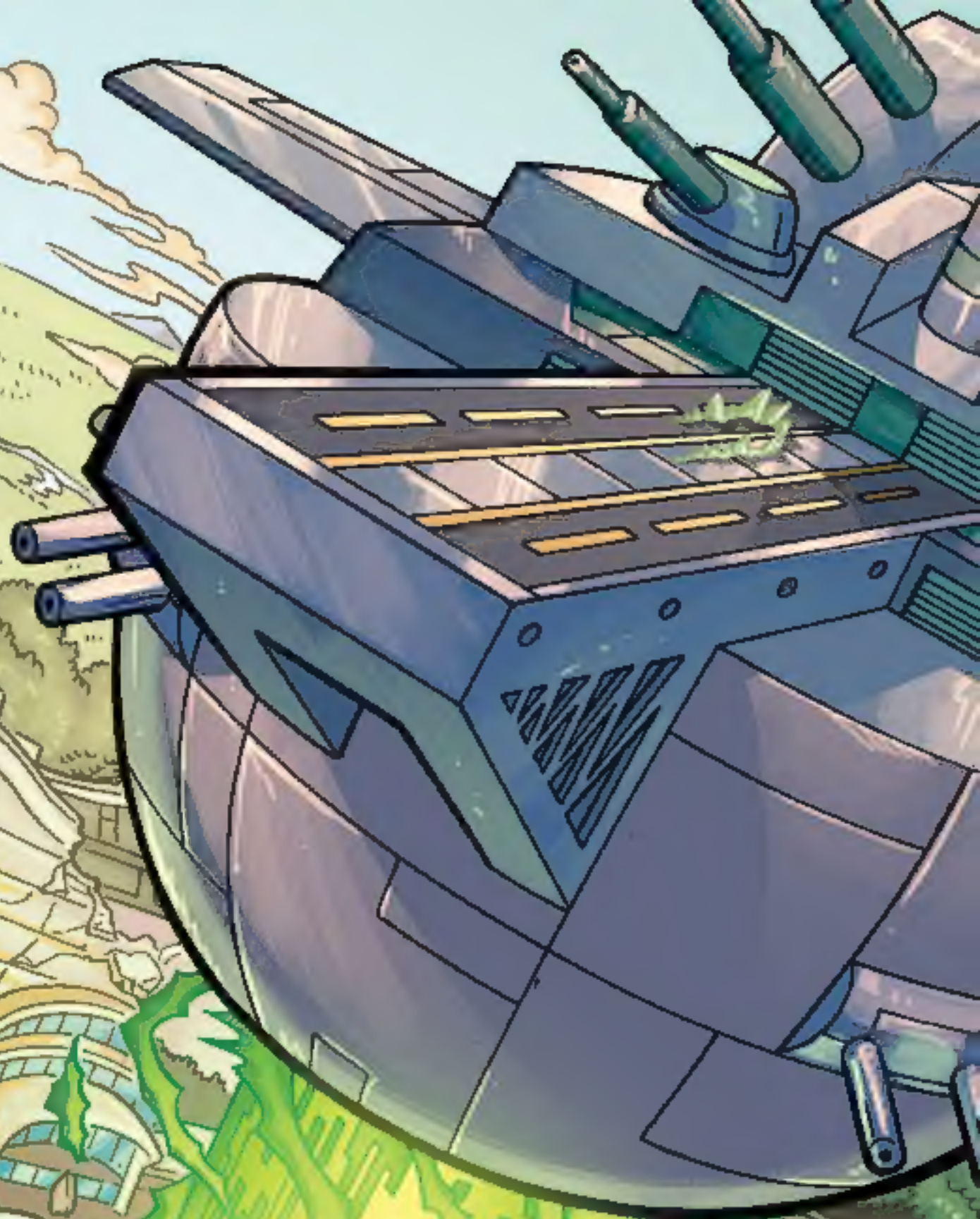
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BLUE HEDGEHOG WHOSE HOME-  
TOWN THEY'RE BLOWING TO  
SMITHEREENS?



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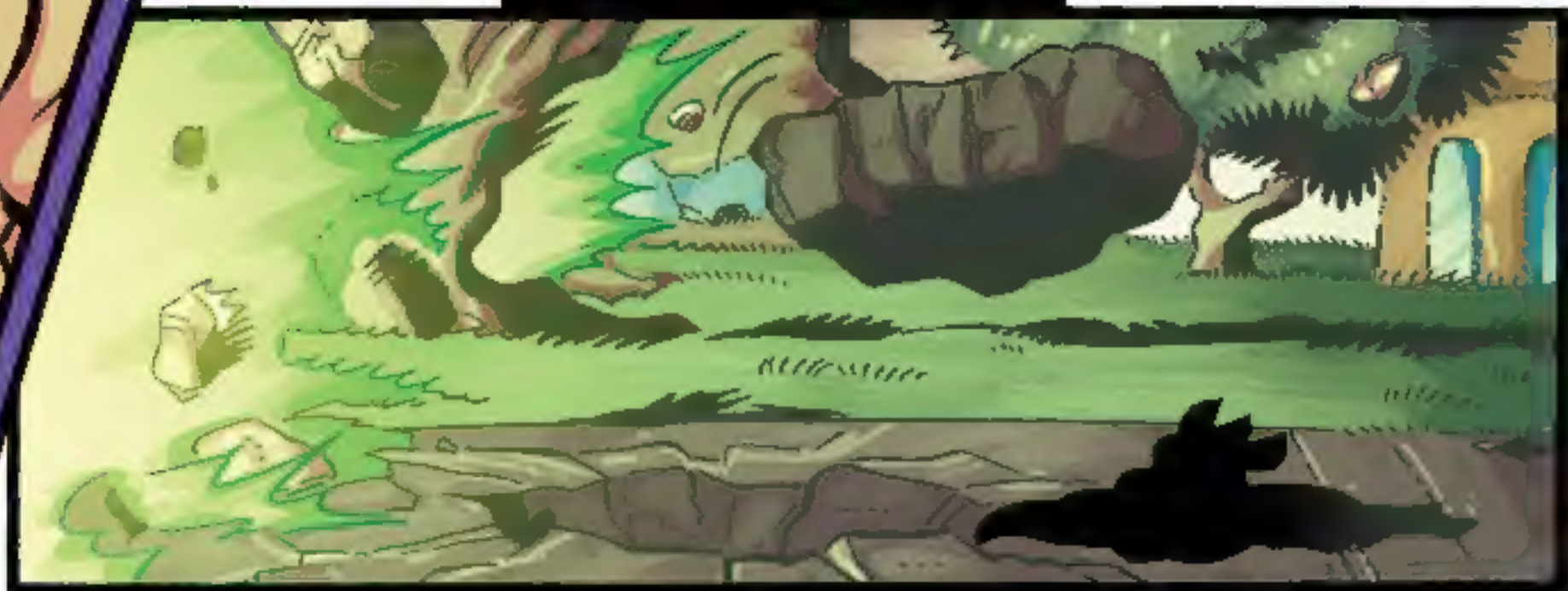
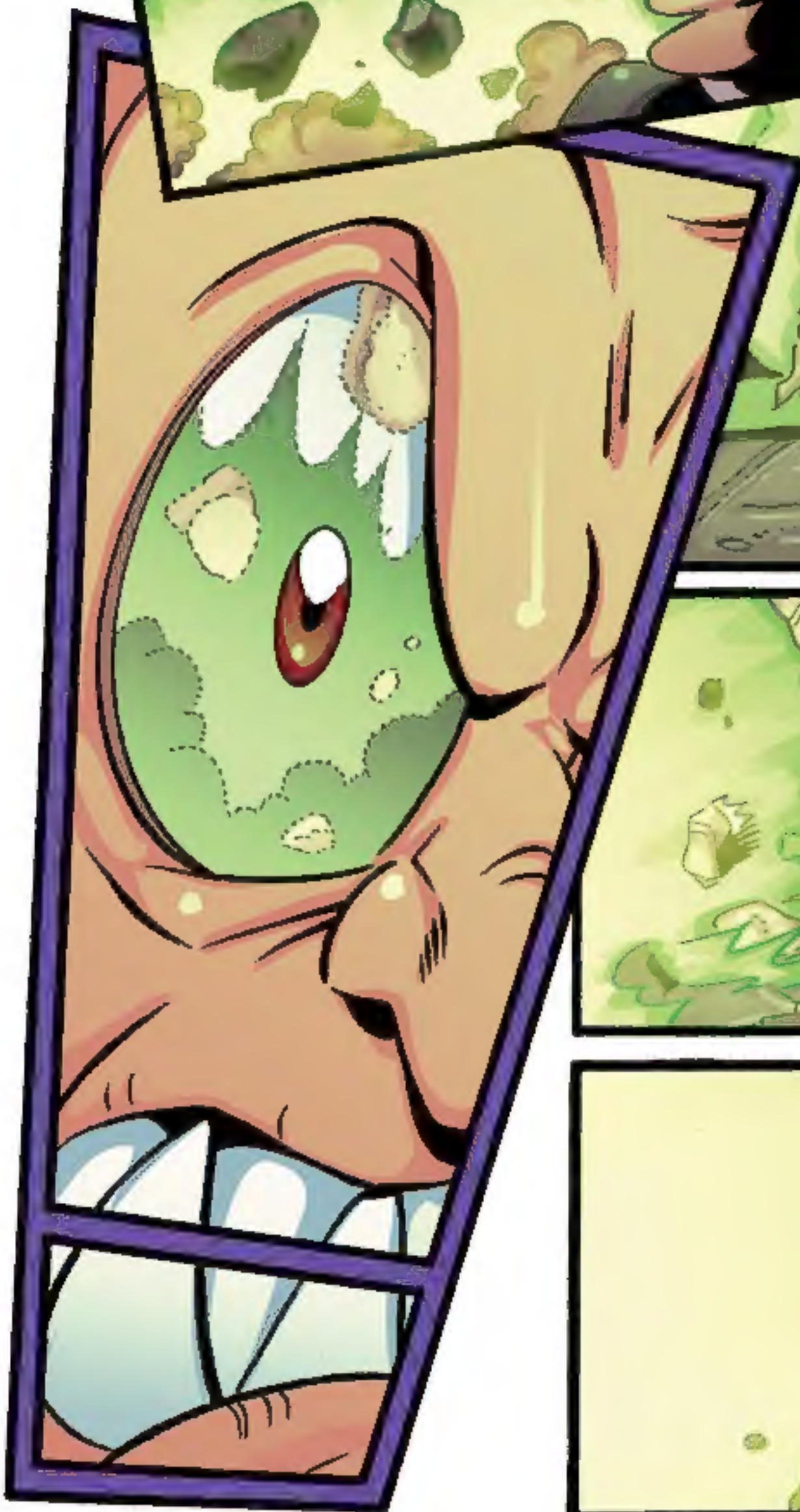
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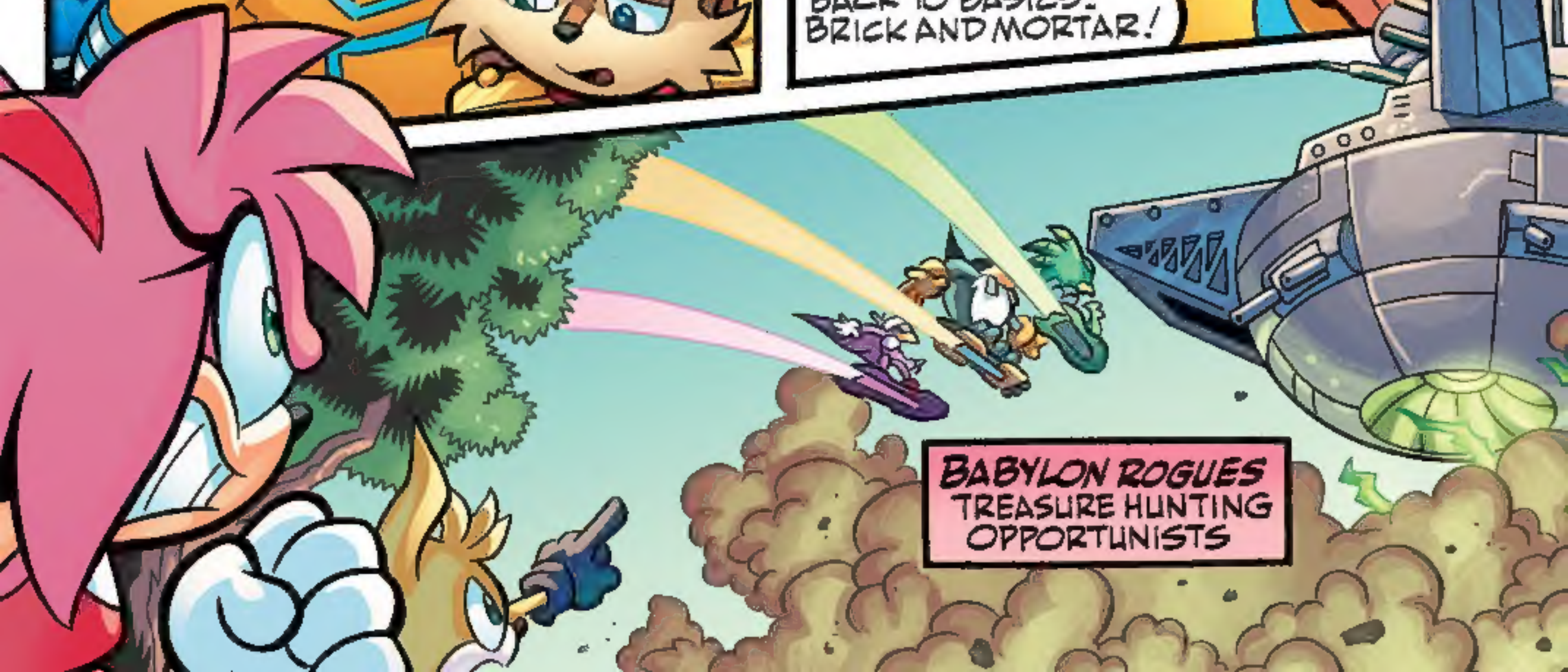




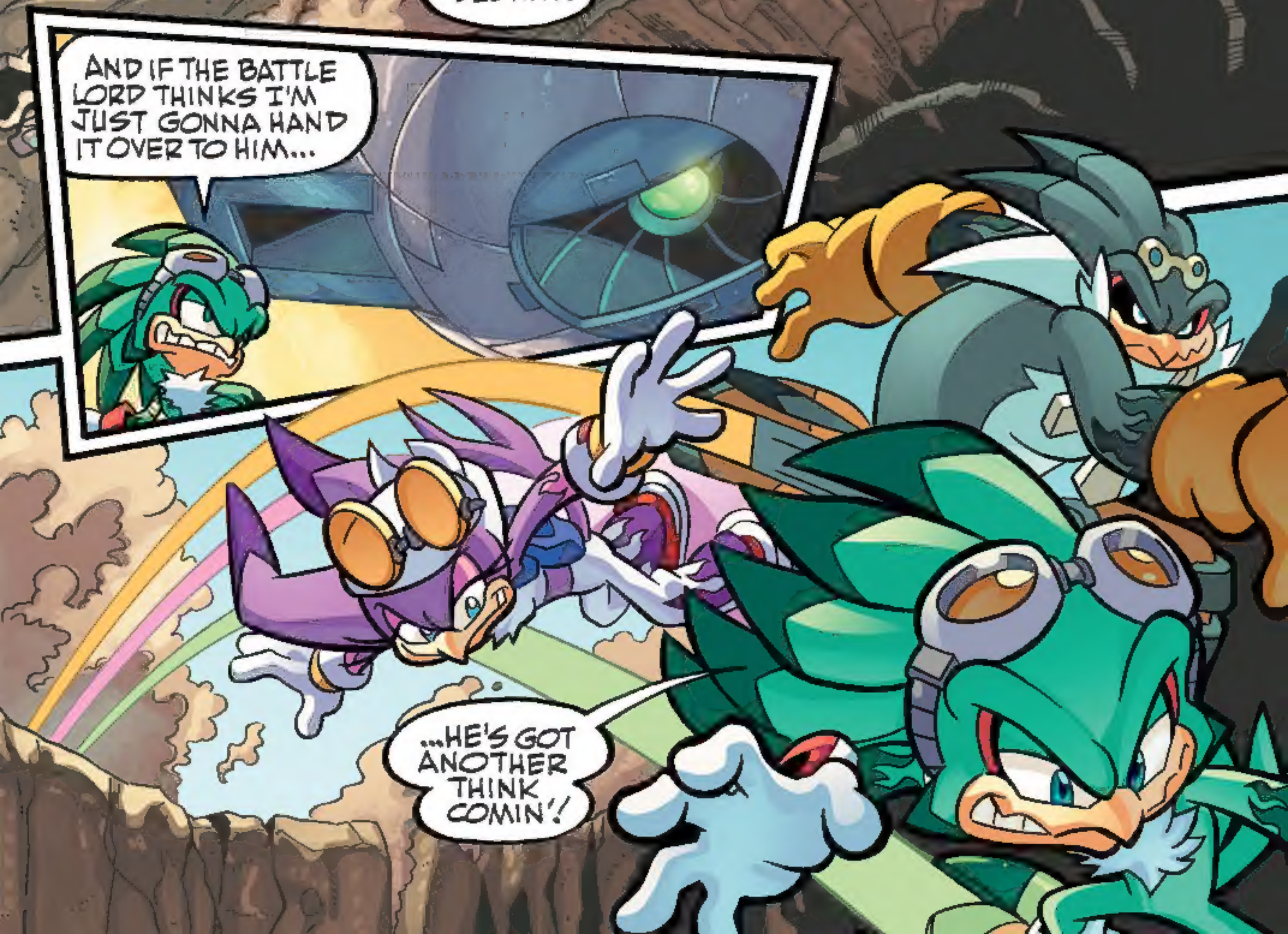
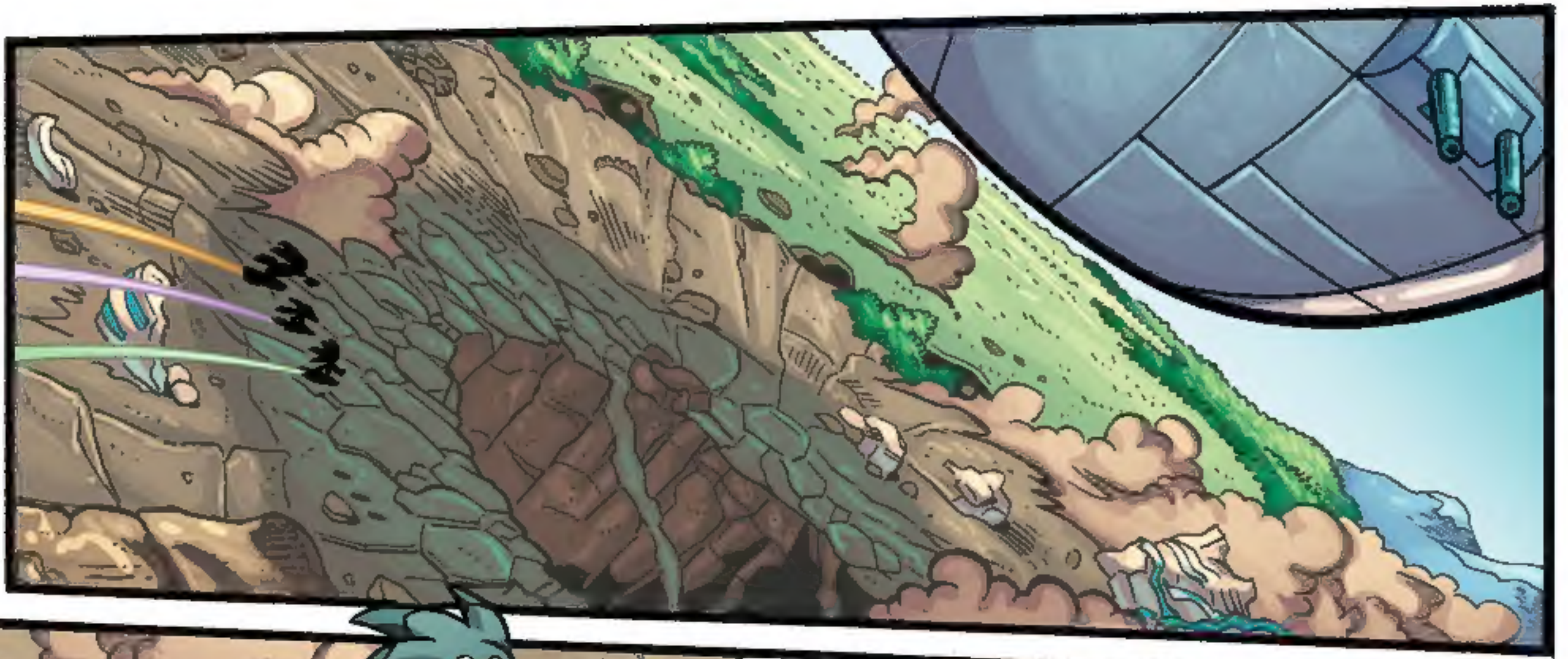
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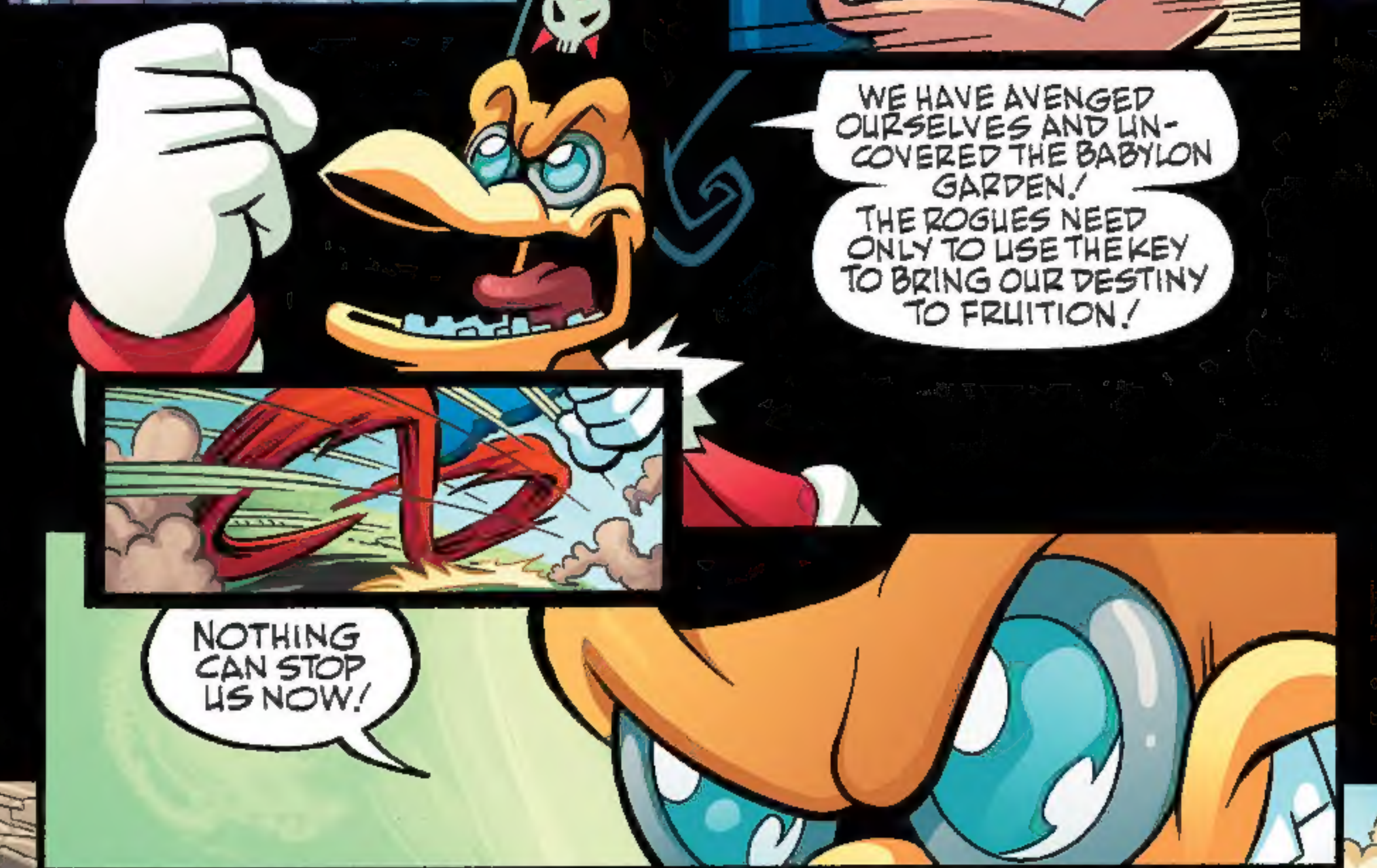










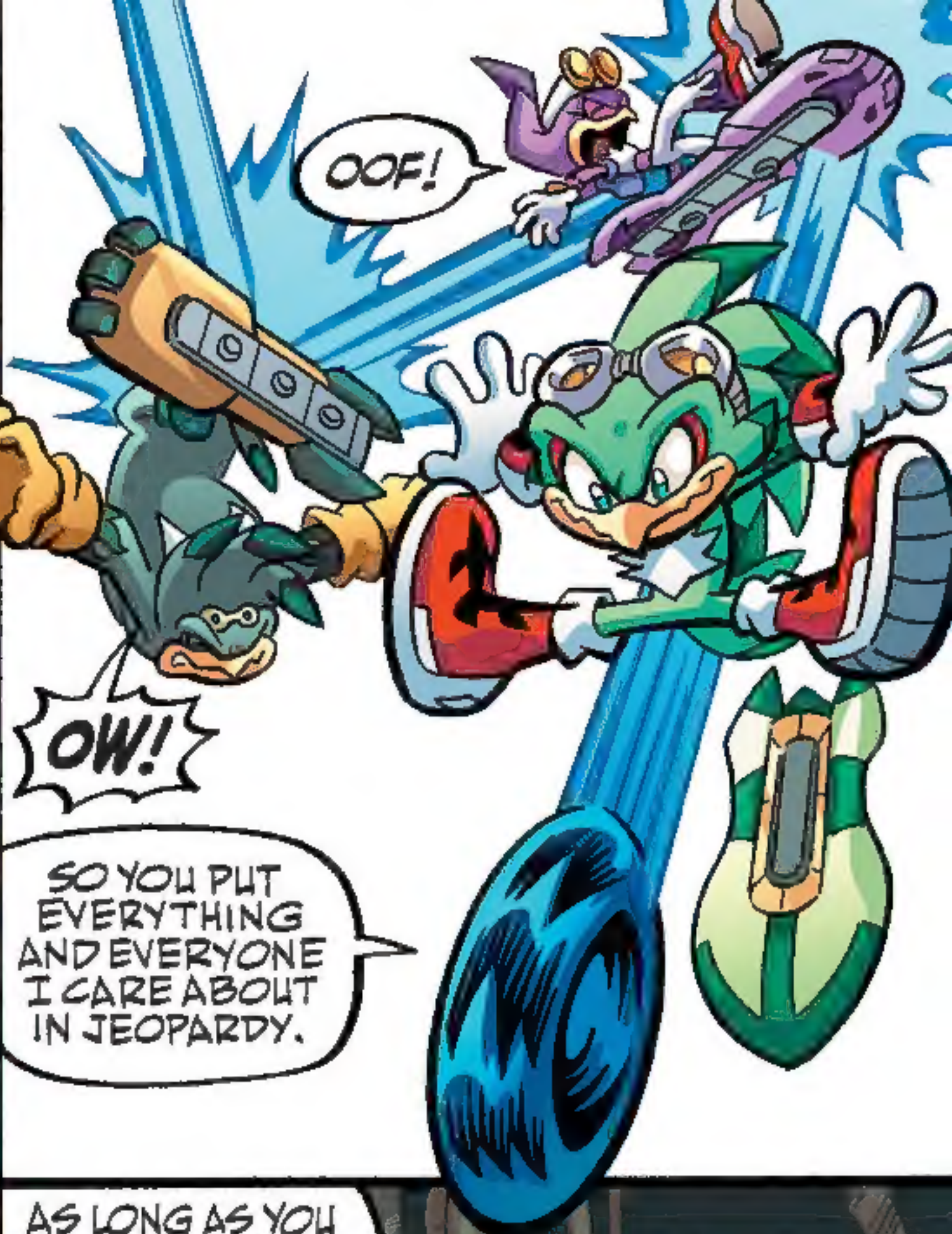






SO YOU  
MADE A FOOL  
OUT OF ME  
AND BLEW  
UP MY  
TOWN.

**SONIC THE  
HEDGEHOG  
HERO OF  
MOBIUS**



OOF!

OW!

SO YOU PUT  
EVERYTHING  
AND EVERYONE  
I CARE ABOUT  
IN JEOPARDY.

AS LONG AS YOU  
GET WHAT YOU  
WANT, IT'S ALL  
COOL, RIGHT?

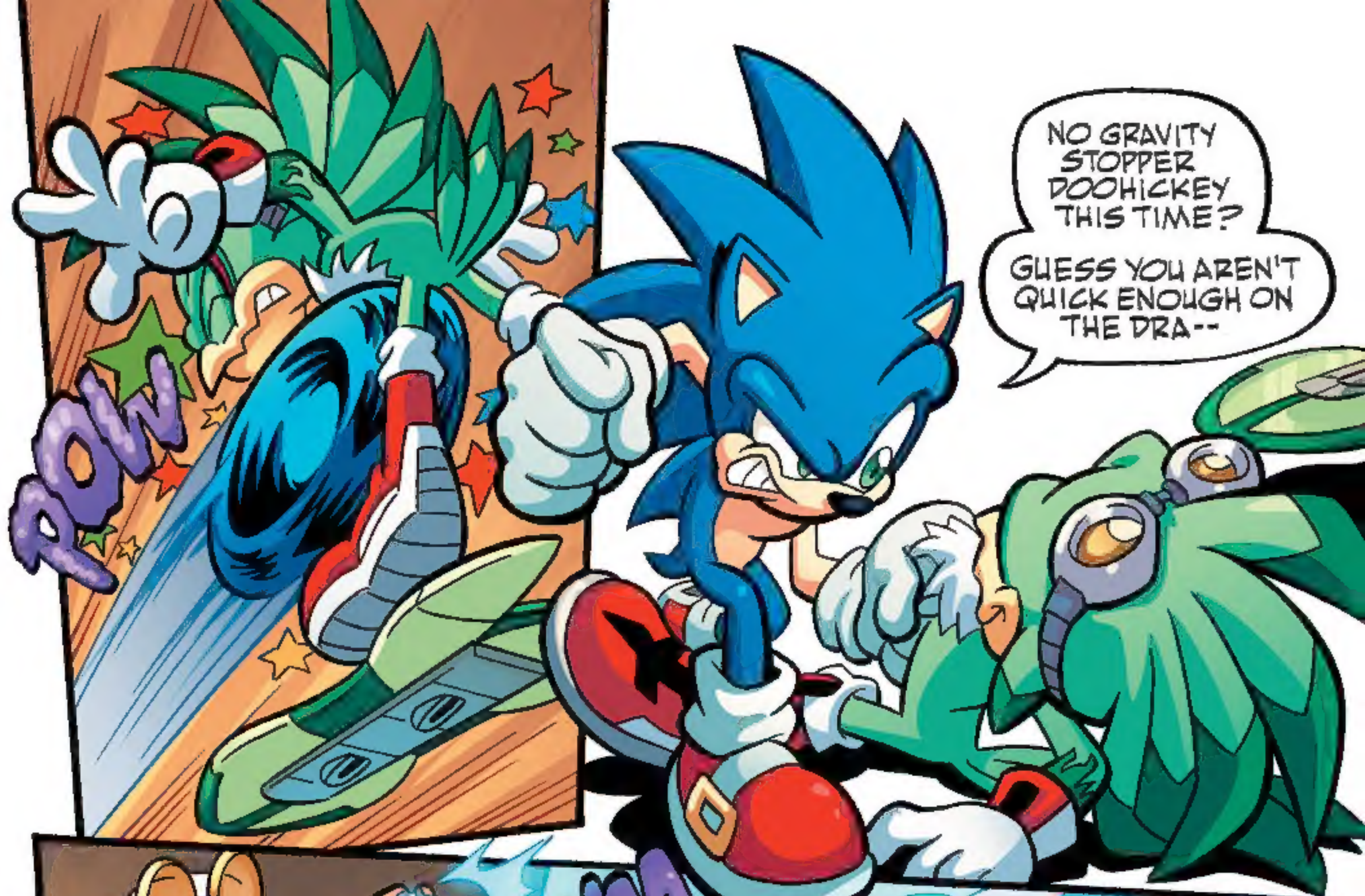
RIGHT!  
I'M GLAD  
YOU SEE IT  
MY WAY!



DUDE,  
YOU SO TOTALLY  
DON'T GET  
SARCASM.







NO GRAVITY  
STOPPER  
DOOHICKEY  
THIS TIME?  
GUESS YOU AREN'T  
QUICK ENOUGH ON  
THE DRA--



NEITHER  
ARE YOU, TRUE  
BLUE.

LET'S MOVE  
BEFORE THE GRAVITY  
FIELD WEARS OFF  
AND PINHEAD HERE  
PUTS HIS SPINES  
WHERE THEY'RE  
NOT WANTED!

"GEE, THANKS  
FOR THE HELP  
THERE, WAVE!"

"NO PROBLEM,  
JET! JUST  
DOING MY  
PART FOR  
THE TEAM!"

YEAH, YEAH.  
YOU'RE A REAL  
LIFE SAVER.

YOU KNOW, IT'S  
TOO BAD. ONCE  
WE USE THIS KEY,  
I WON'T GET TO  
USE THAT TRICK  
ANYMORE.







YEARS OF SEARCHING HAVE PAID OFF! WE'RE ACTUALLY IN THE BABYLON GARDEN!

DEFINITELY NO FLOWERS. LOTS OF METAL, THOUGH.



OOOH! IS THAT A GAMEBIRD ADVANCE? CAN I PLAY?

NO, IT'S MY OMNI LINK SCANNER. PATENT PENDING.

THESE READINGS INDICATE THAT THE GARDEN IS A VESSEL OF SOME KIND!



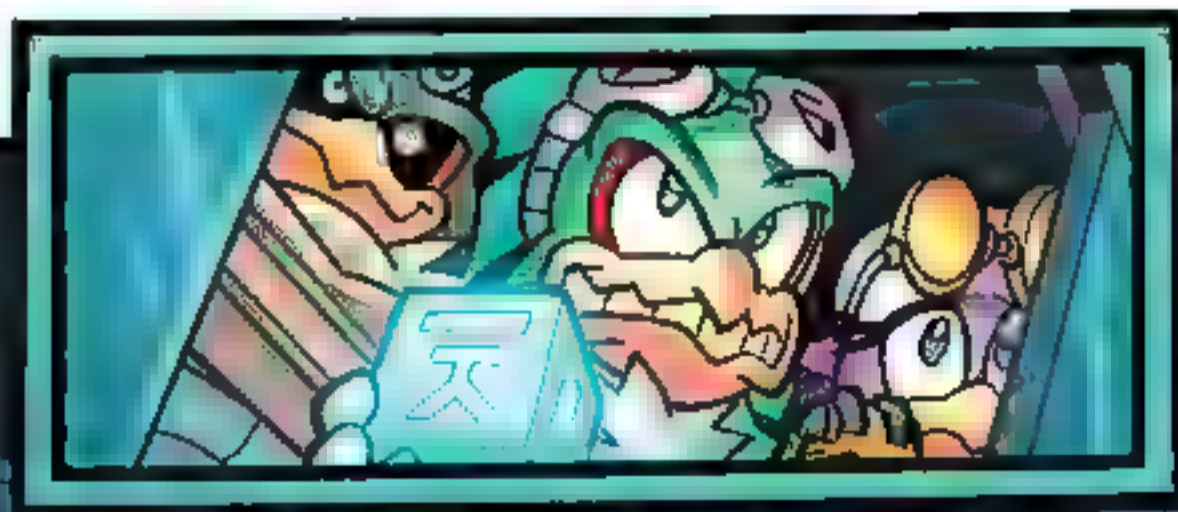
A VESSEL? LIKE THAT THING ON JET'S HEAD WHEN I TALK TOO MUCH?

SHE MEANS A *SHIP*, BIRDBRAIN.

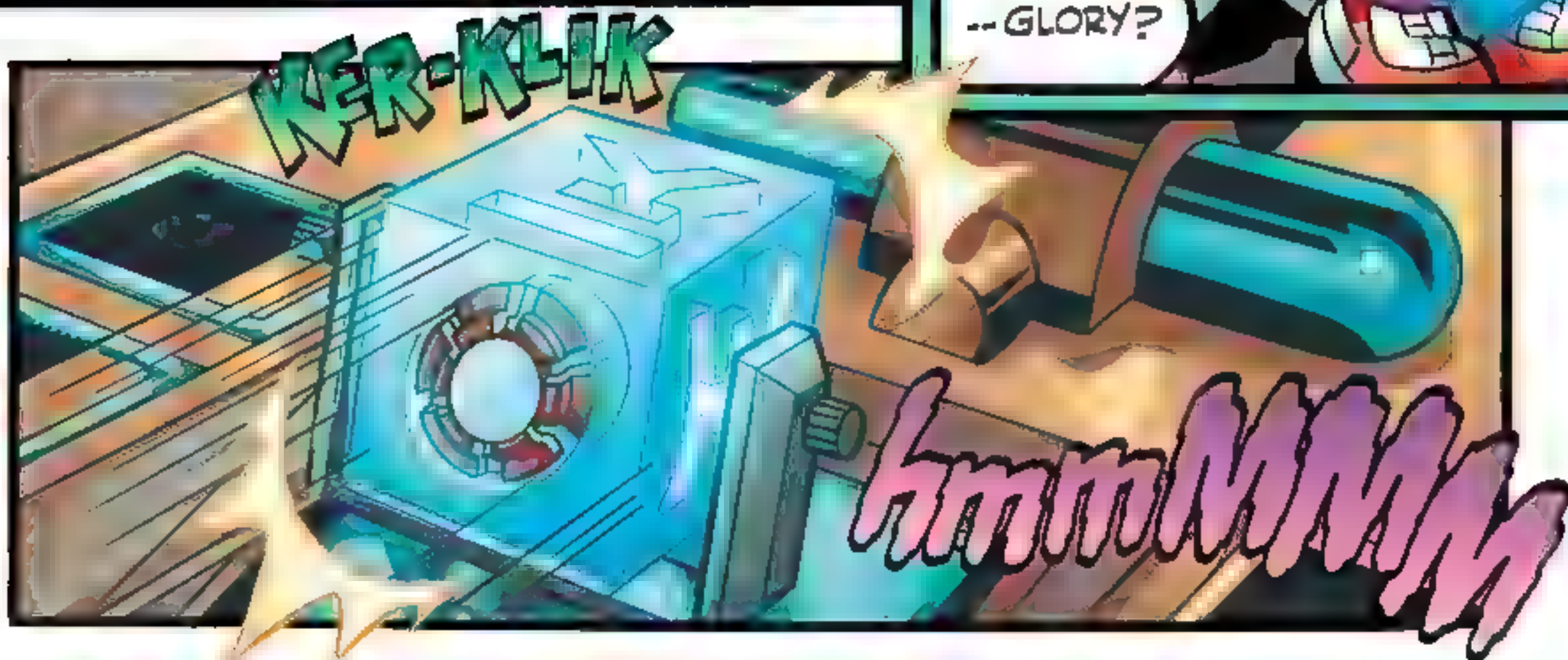
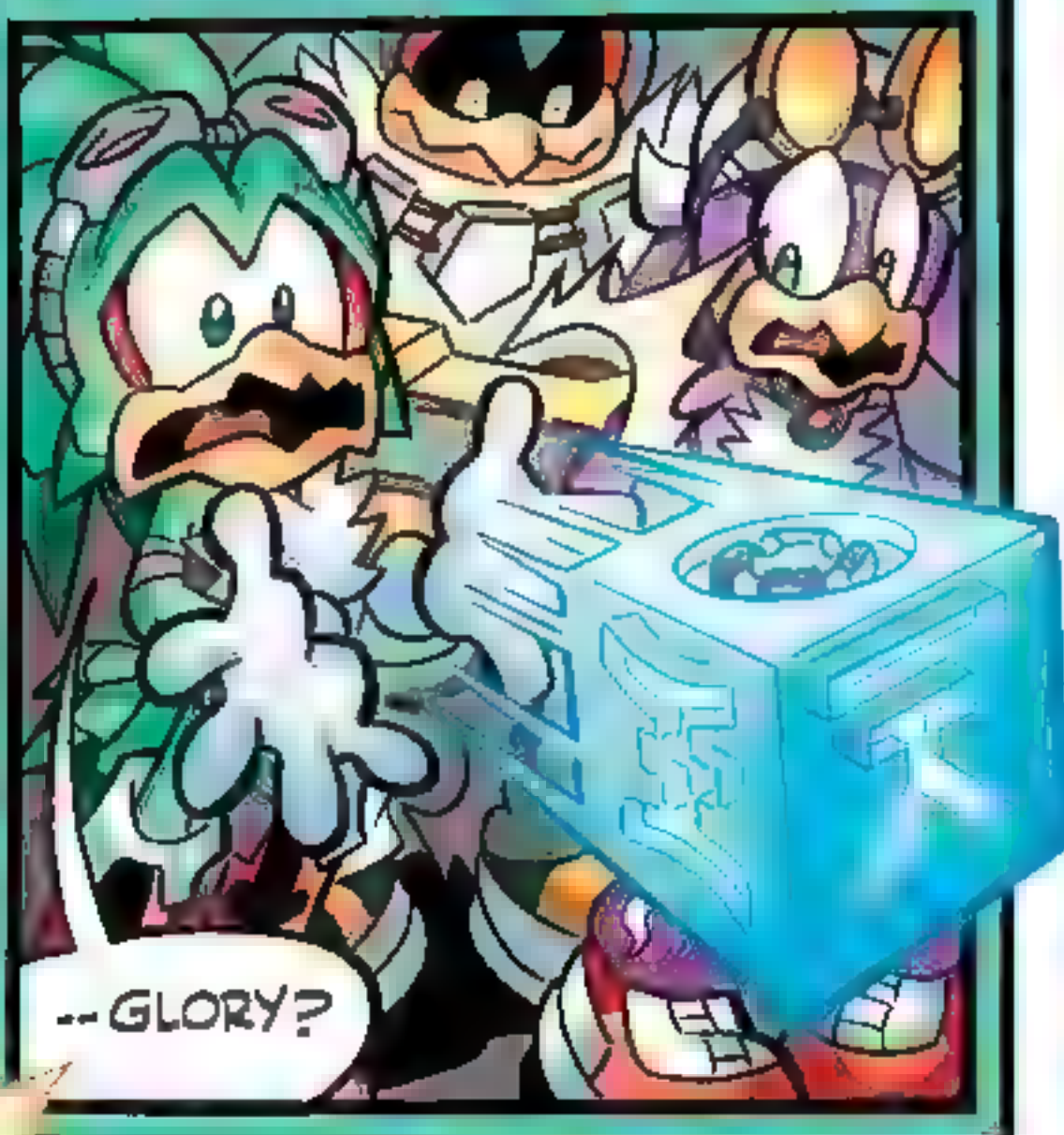


DIRECTLY AHEAD LOOKS LIKE THE MAIN CONTROL CENTER.





THIS IS IT.





MY IGNITION MATRIX WAS REMOVED A MILLENNIUM AGO. PREVIOUS NAVIGATIONAL ROUTINE MAY NOW RESUME.

KRASH

SO THIS PILE OF JUNK IS WHAT YOU HAD TO BLOW UP NEW MOBOTROPOLIS FOR?

HEY, BLOWING UP YOUR TOWN WAS JUST ICING ON THE CAKE!

THIS "PILE OF JUNK" IS PROOF THAT I ACCOMPLISHED SOMETHING NO ONE ELSE COULD.

YOU ACCOMPLISHED ?!!

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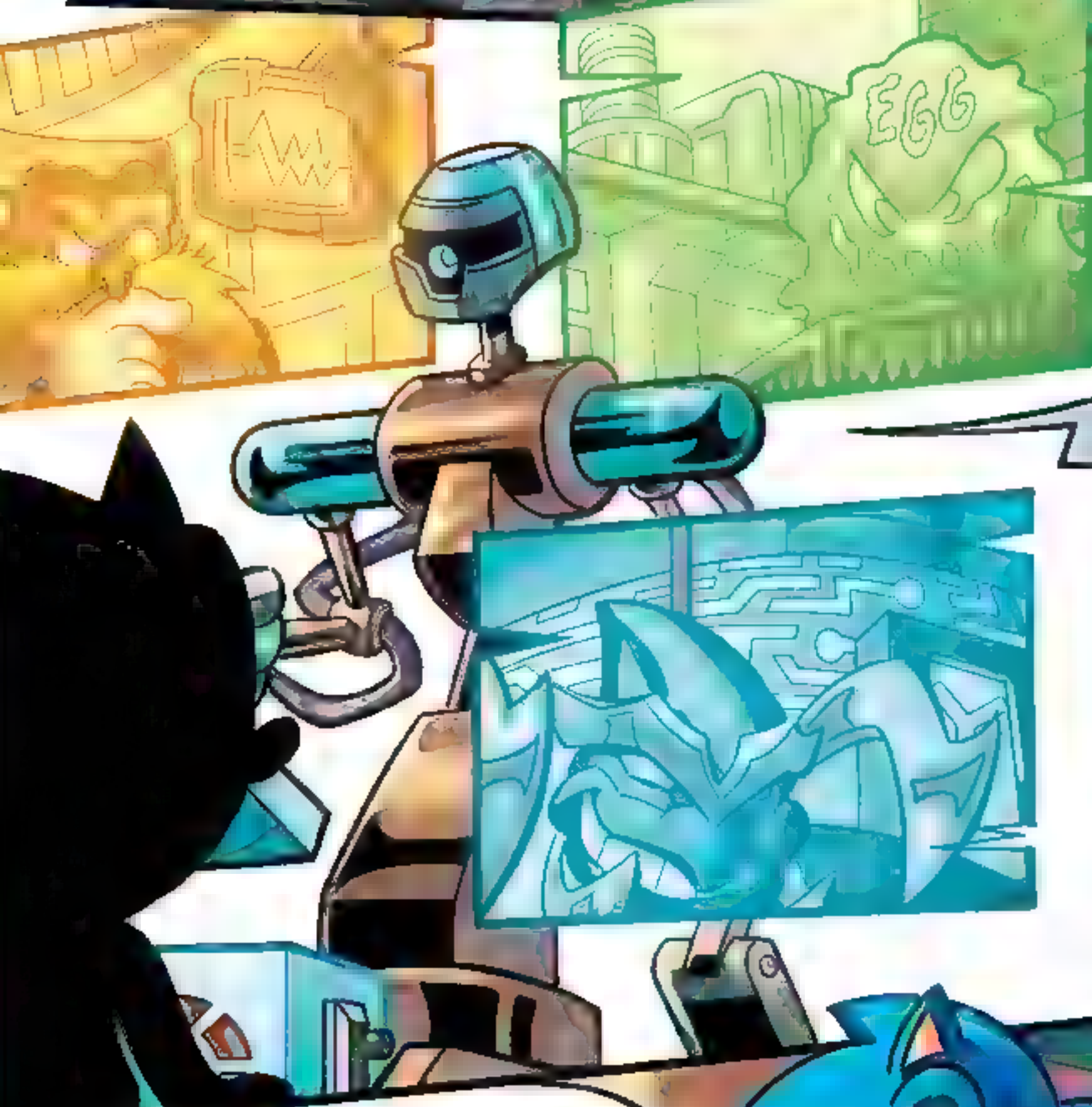
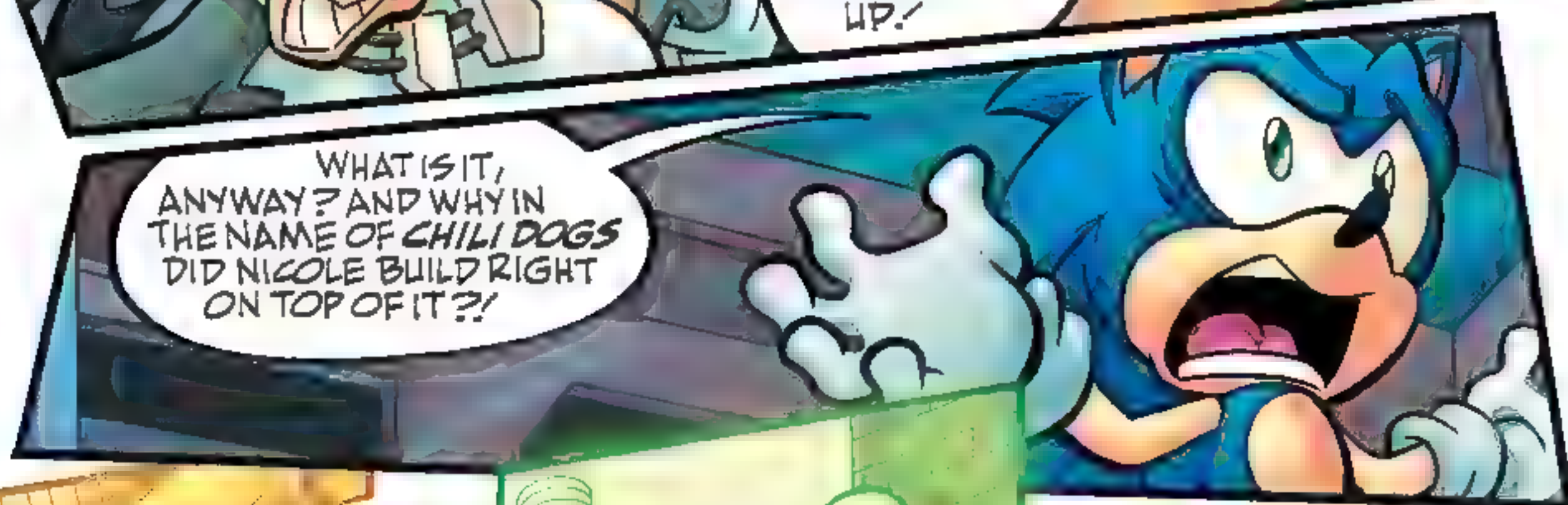
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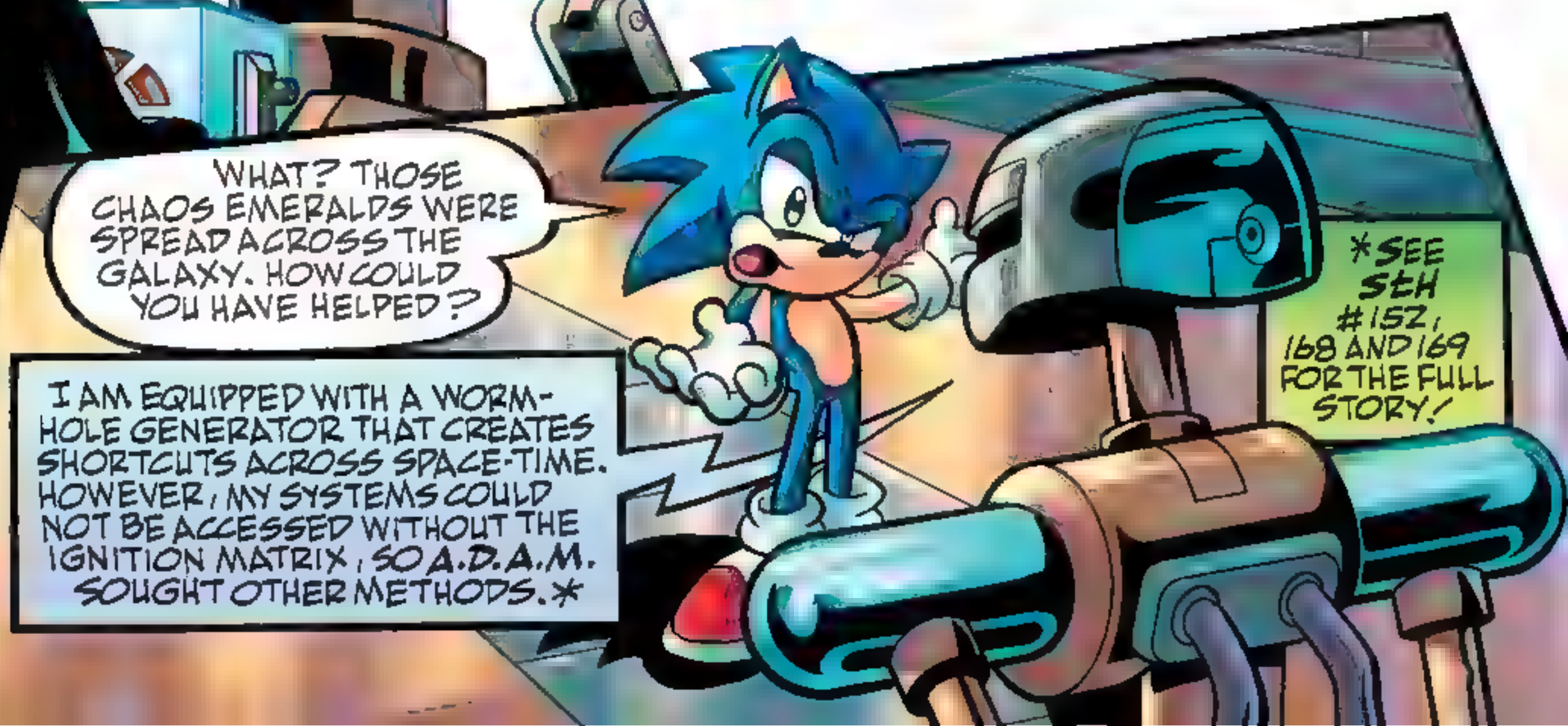
YOU ACCOMPLISHED ?!!





THE PROGRAM NICOLE DID NOT BUILD THE NANITE CITY. SHE HAD NEVER PROBED TO THIS DEPTH AND THUS NEVER DETECTED MY PRESENCE.

THE CITY WAS CONSTRUCTED BY THE PROGRAM A.D.A.M. HE DETECTED MY SYSTEMS AND INTENDED TO TAP INTO THEM TO EXPEDITE THE TRANSPORT OF MYSTIC GEMS ACROSS THE VAST REACHES OF SPACE.

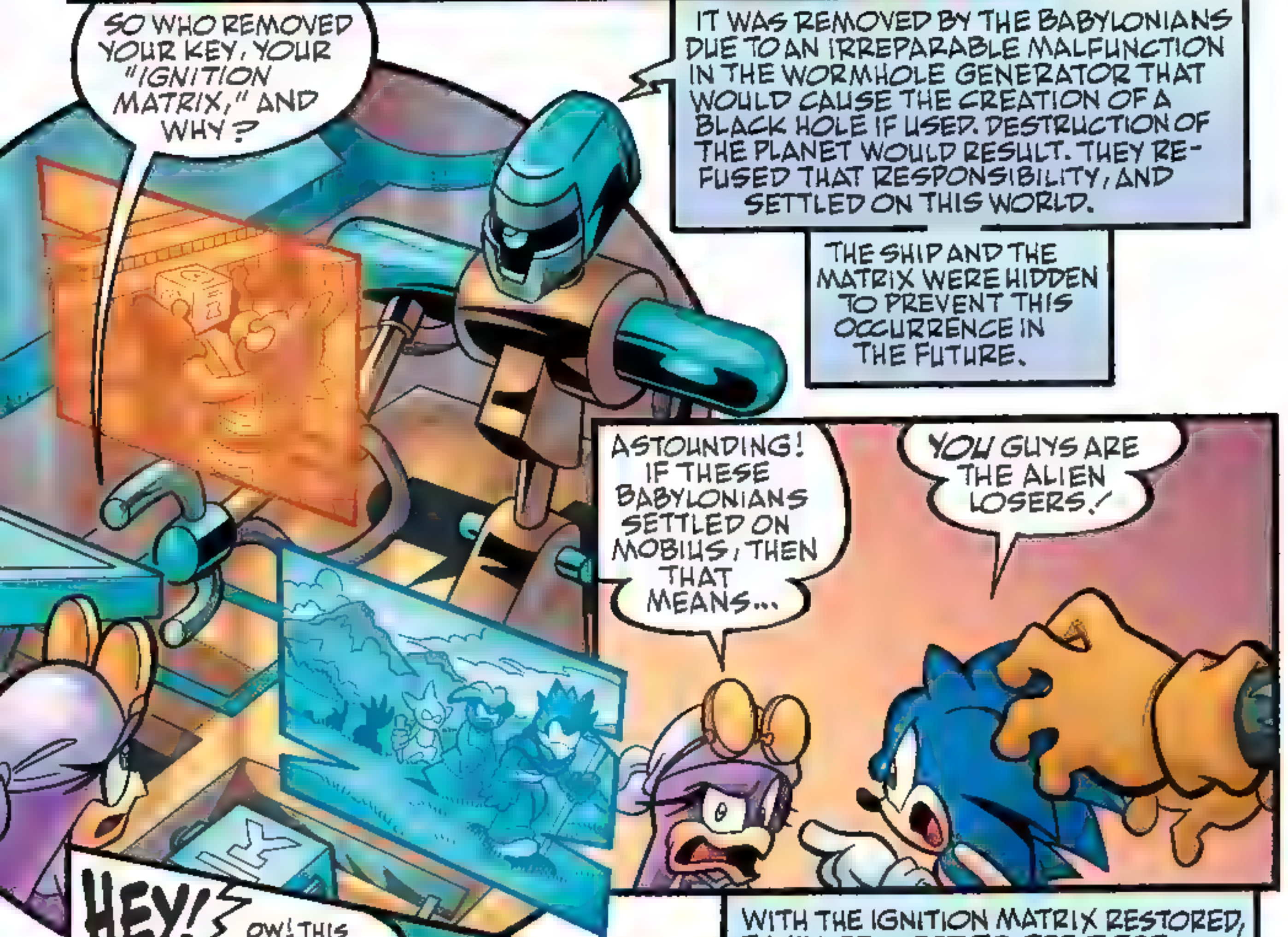
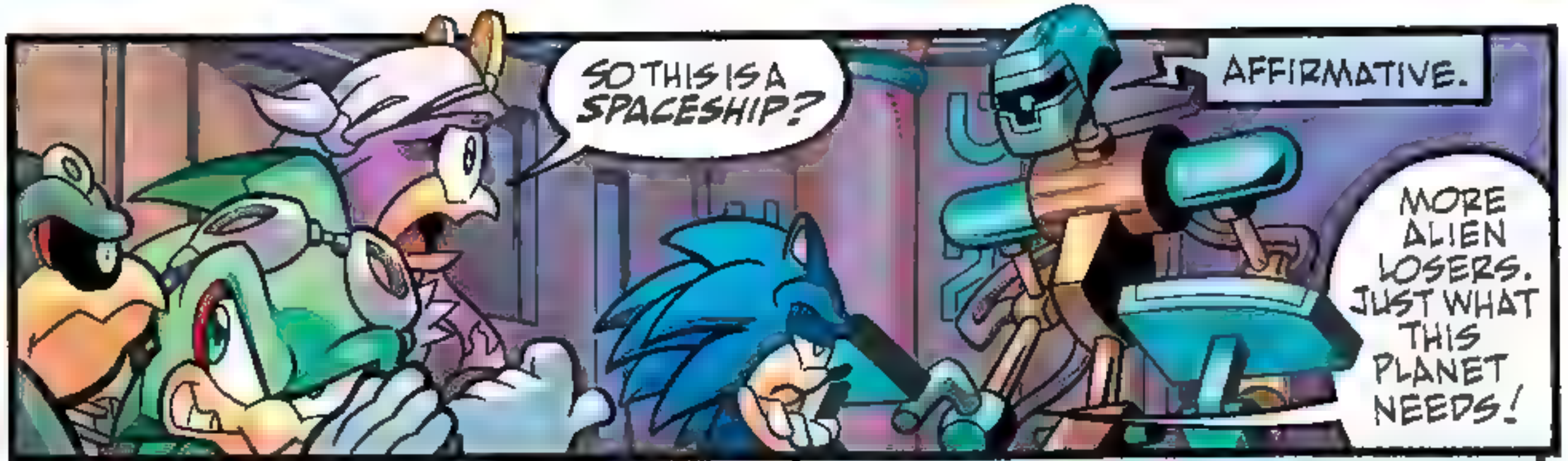


WHAT? THOSE CHAOS EMERALDS WERE SPREAD ACROSS THE GALAXY. HOW COULD YOU HAVE HELPED?

I AM EQUIPPED WITH A WORM-HOLE GENERATOR THAT CREATES SHORTCUTS ACROSS SPACE-TIME. HOWEVER, MY SYSTEMS COULD NOT BE ACCESSED WITHOUT THE IGNITION MATRIX, SO A.D.A.M. SOUGHT OTHER METHODS.\*

\*SEE SEH #152, 168 AND 169 FOR THE FULL STORY!





SO WHO REMOVED YOUR KEY, YOUR "IGNITION MATRIX," AND WHY?

SO THIS IS A SPACESHIP?

AFFIRMATIVE.

MORE ALIEN LOSERS. JUST WHAT THIS PLANET NEEDS!

IT WAS REMOVED BY THE BABYLONIANS DUE TO AN IRREPARABLE MALFUNCTION IN THE WORMHOLE GENERATOR THAT WOULD CAUSE THE CREATION OF A BLACK HOLE IF USED. DESTRUCTION OF THE PLANET WOULD RESULT. THEY REFUSED THAT RESPONSIBILITY, AND SETTLED ON THIS WORLD.

THE SHIP AND THE MATRIX WERE HIDDEN TO PREVENT THIS OCCURRENCE IN THE FUTURE.

ASTOUNDING! IF THESE BABYLONIANS SETTLED ON MOBIUS, THEN THAT MEANS...

YOU GUYS ARE THE ALIEN LOSERS!

HEY!

OW! THIS GUY IS POINTY!

ALIENS?

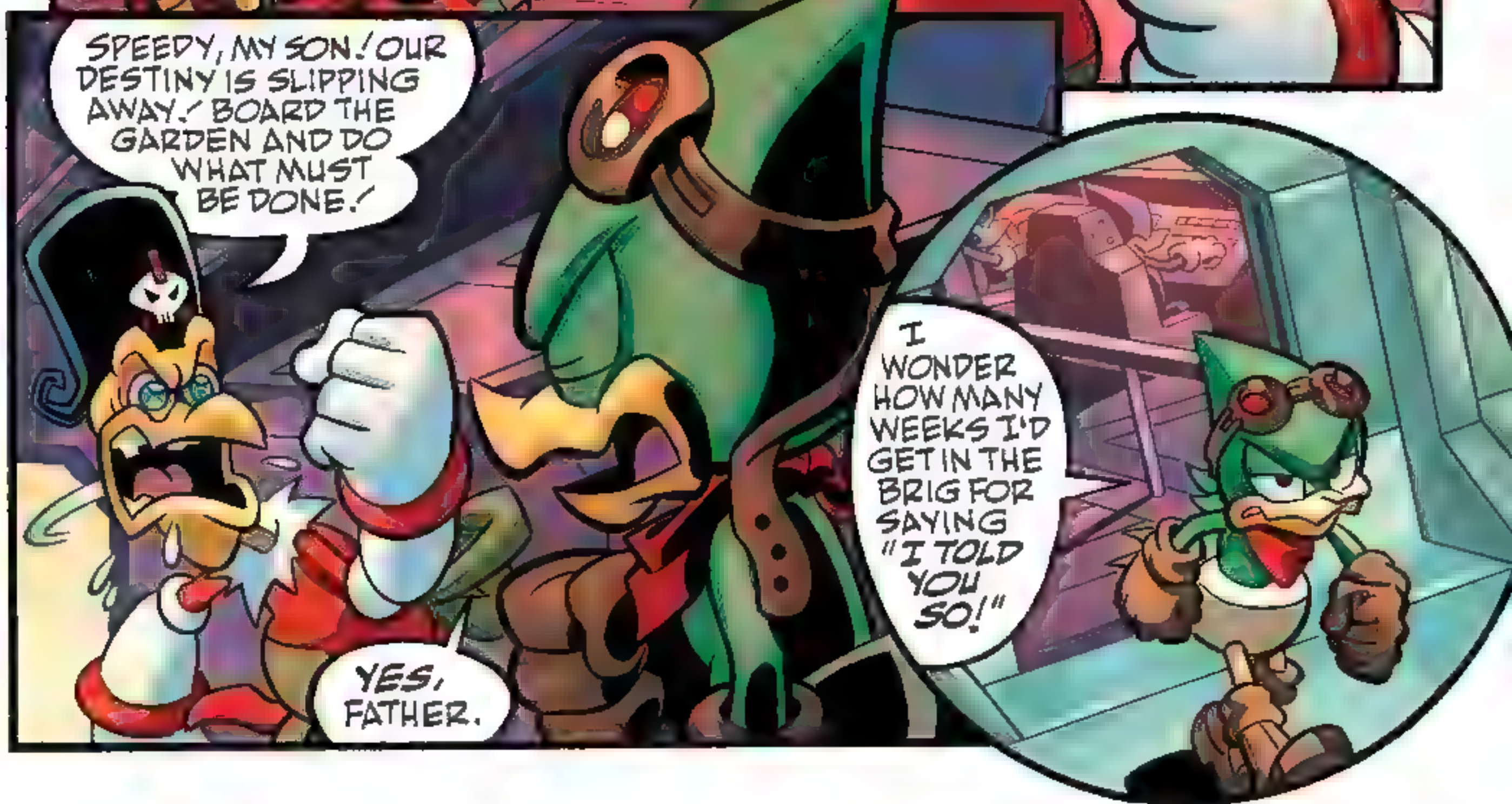
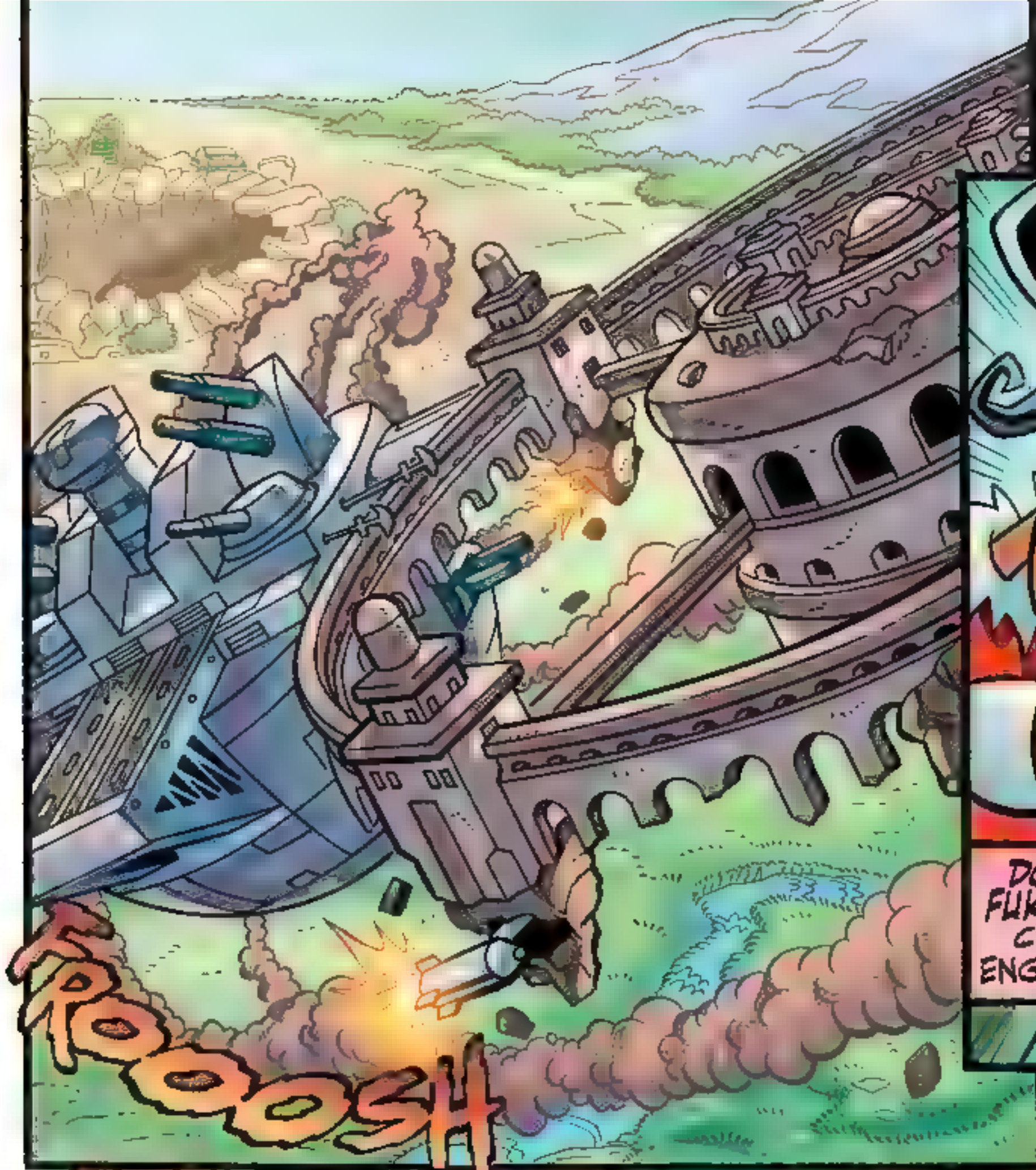
WITH THE IGNITION MATRIX RESTORED, I WILL PROCEED TO ORBIT FOR OPTIMAL GRAVITATIONAL BALANCE AND INITIATE WORMHOLE JUMP. I SUGGEST THE EVACUATION OF THE PLANET, AS IT WILL BE DESTROYED.

WHAT?!











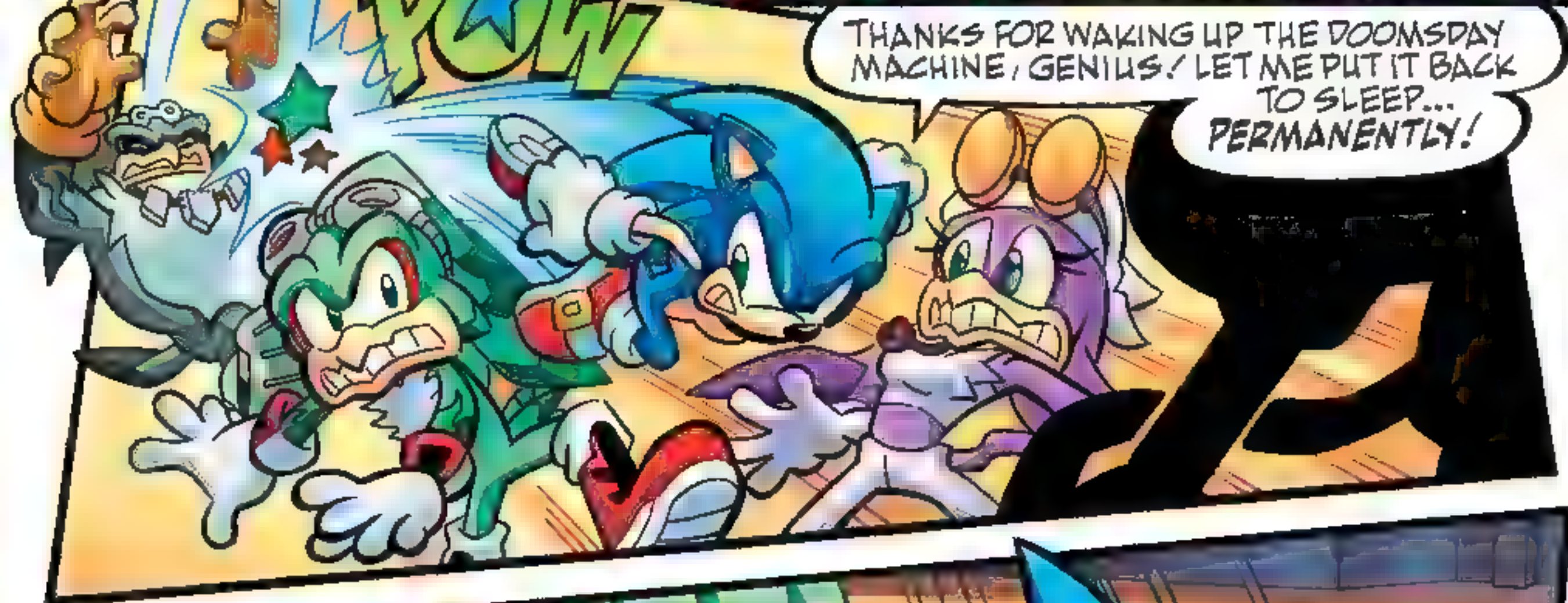


UM, CAN SOMEONE EXPLAIN WHAT'S GOING ON?

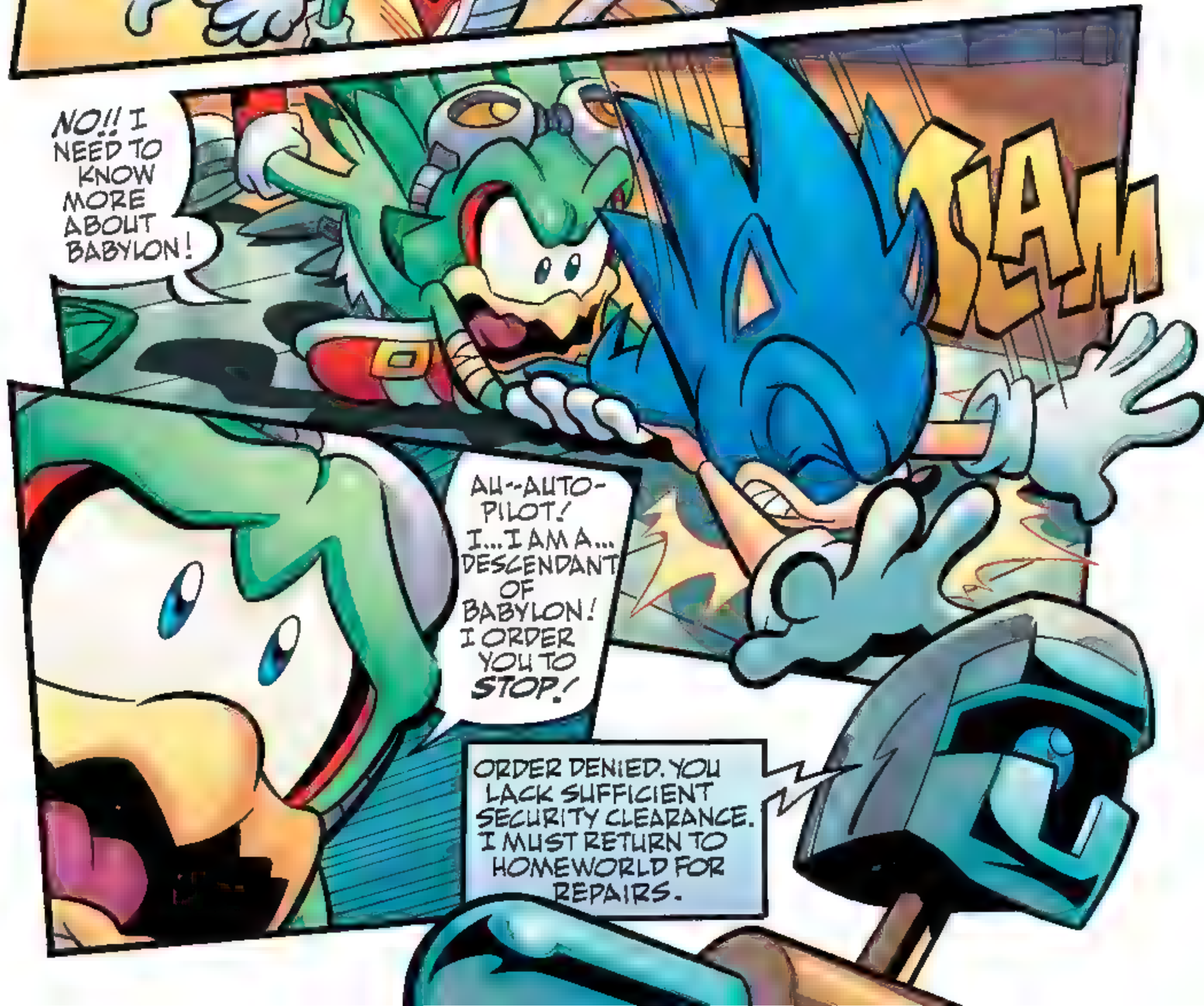
THE SHIP'S AUTOPILOT IS GOING TO OPEN A BLACK HOLE THAT WILL SWALLOW MOBIUS!

THE LIGHTLESS BLACK...\*

\*MENTIONED IN SU #33



THANKS FOR WAKING UP THE DOOMSDAY MACHINE, GENIUS! LET ME PUT IT BACK TO SLEEP... PERMANENTLY!

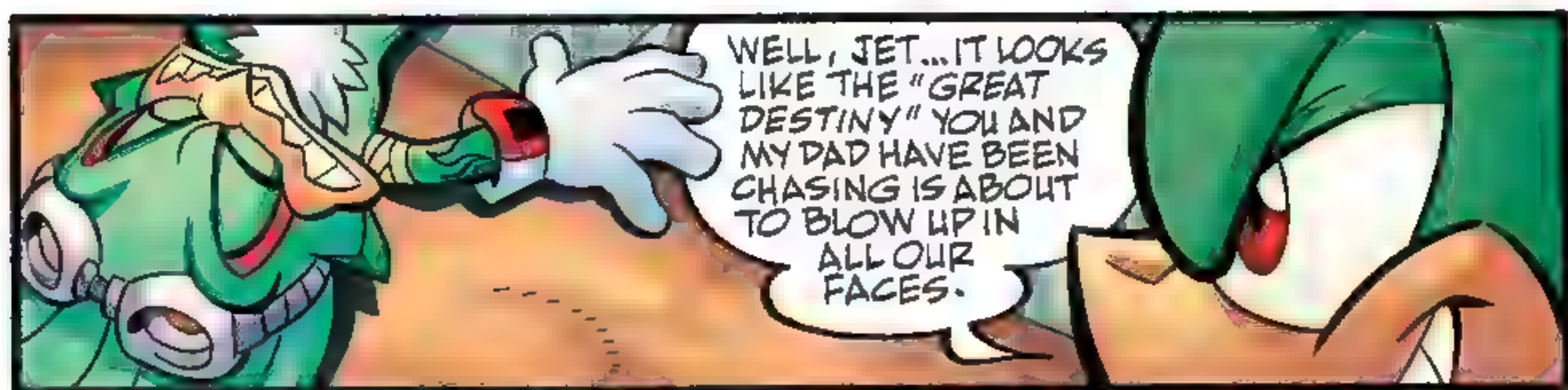
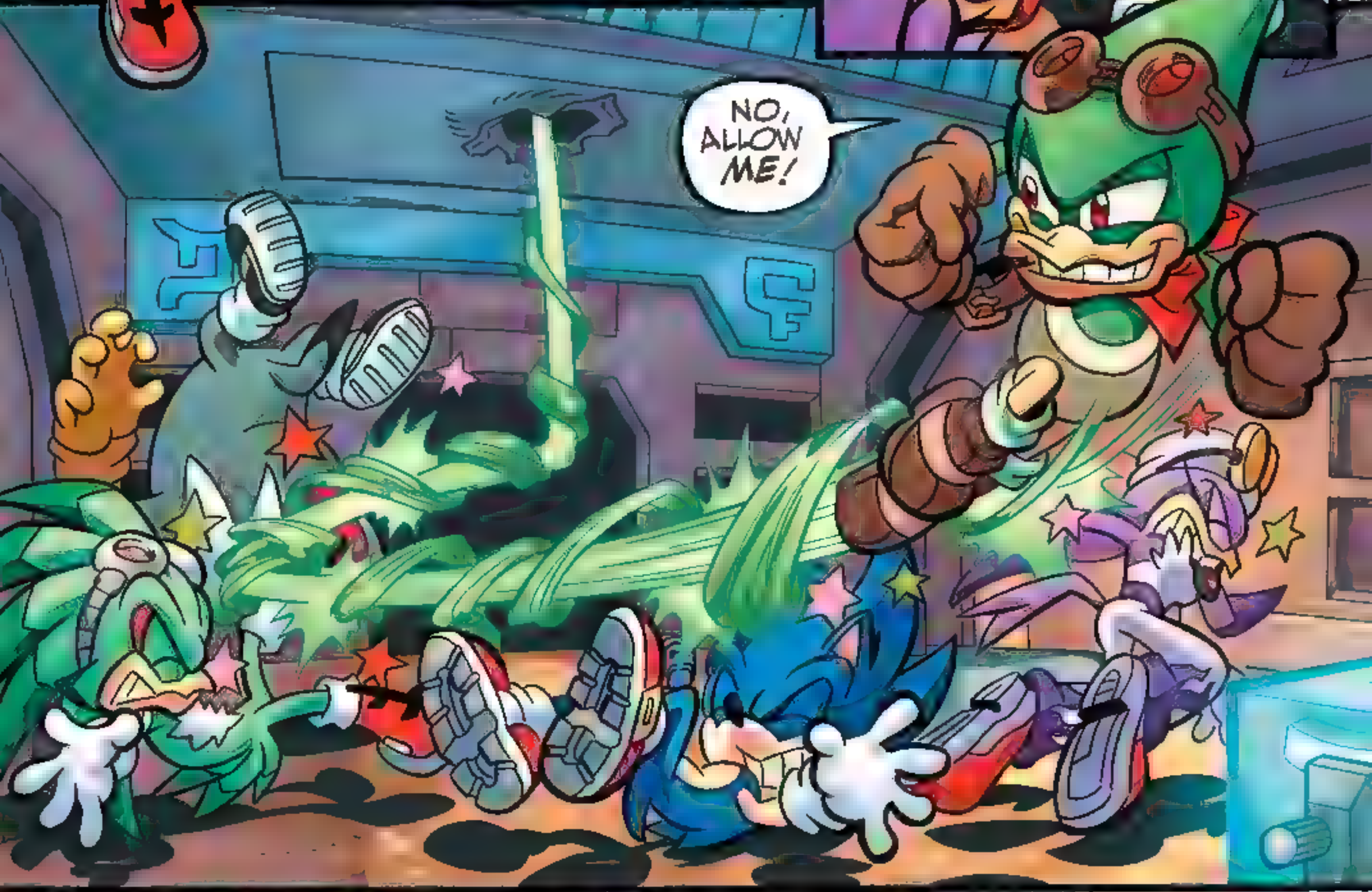
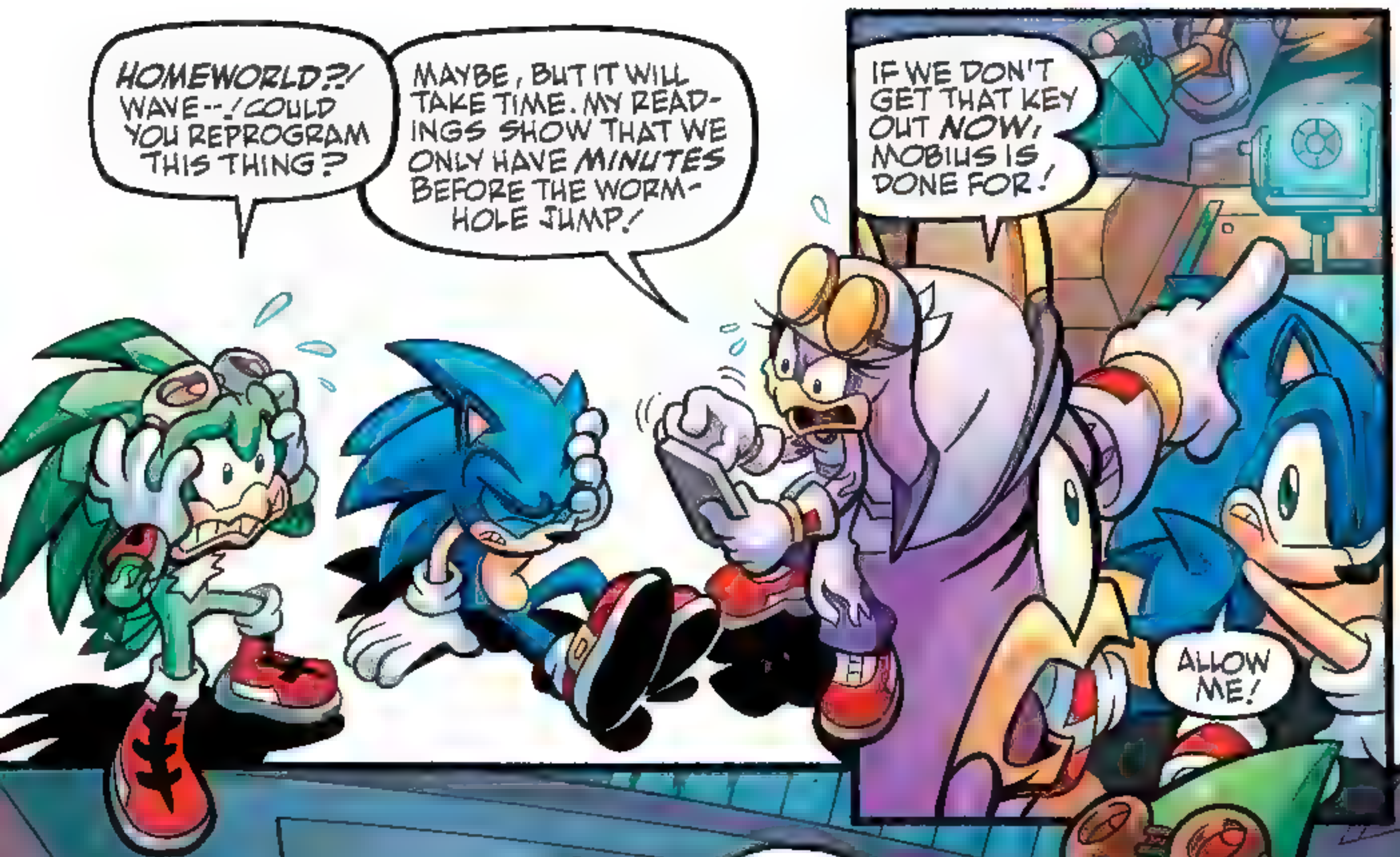


NO!! I NEED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT BABYLON!

AH--AUTO-PILOT! I...I AM A... DESCENDANT OF BABYLON! I ORDER YOU TO STOP!

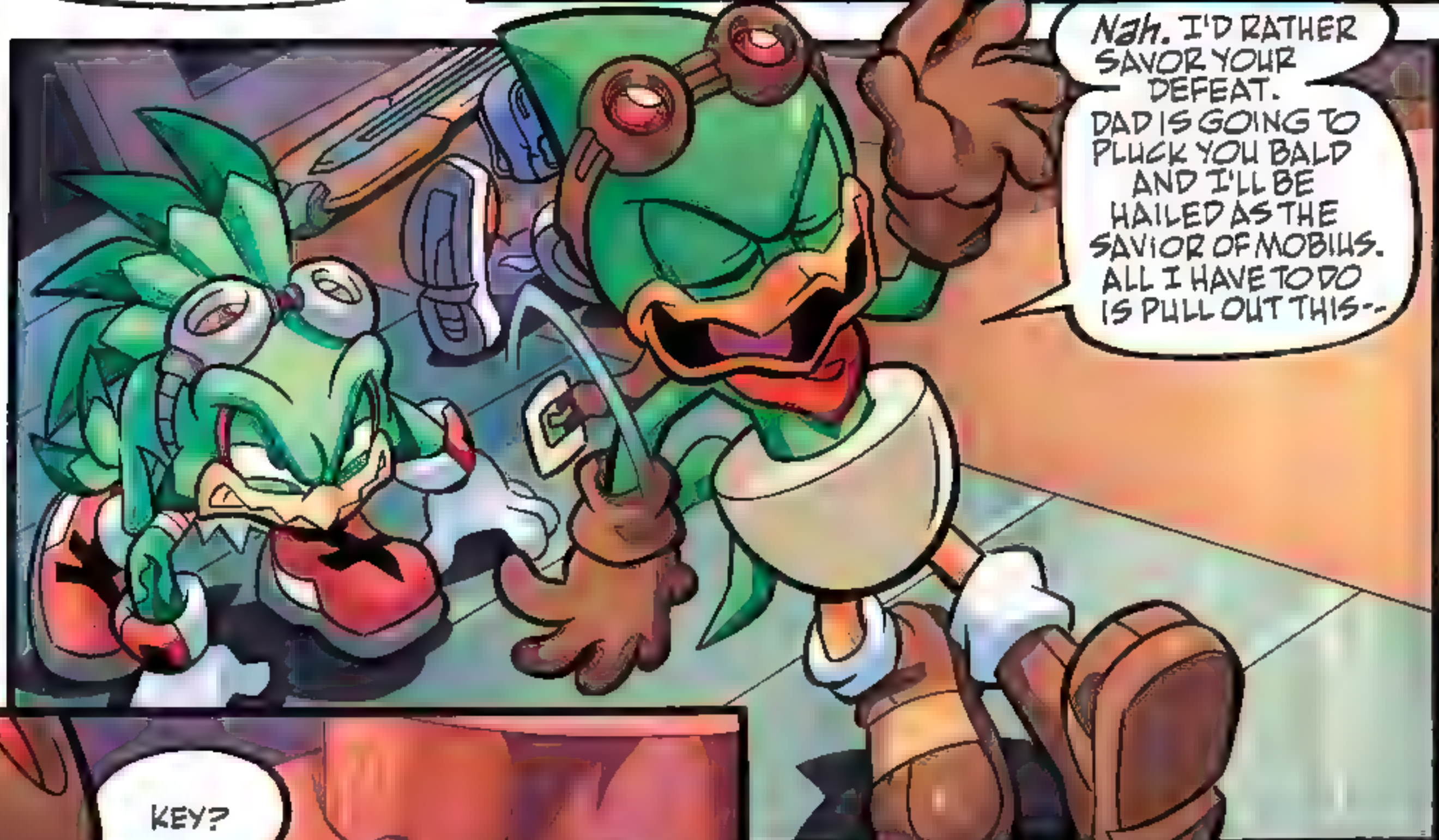
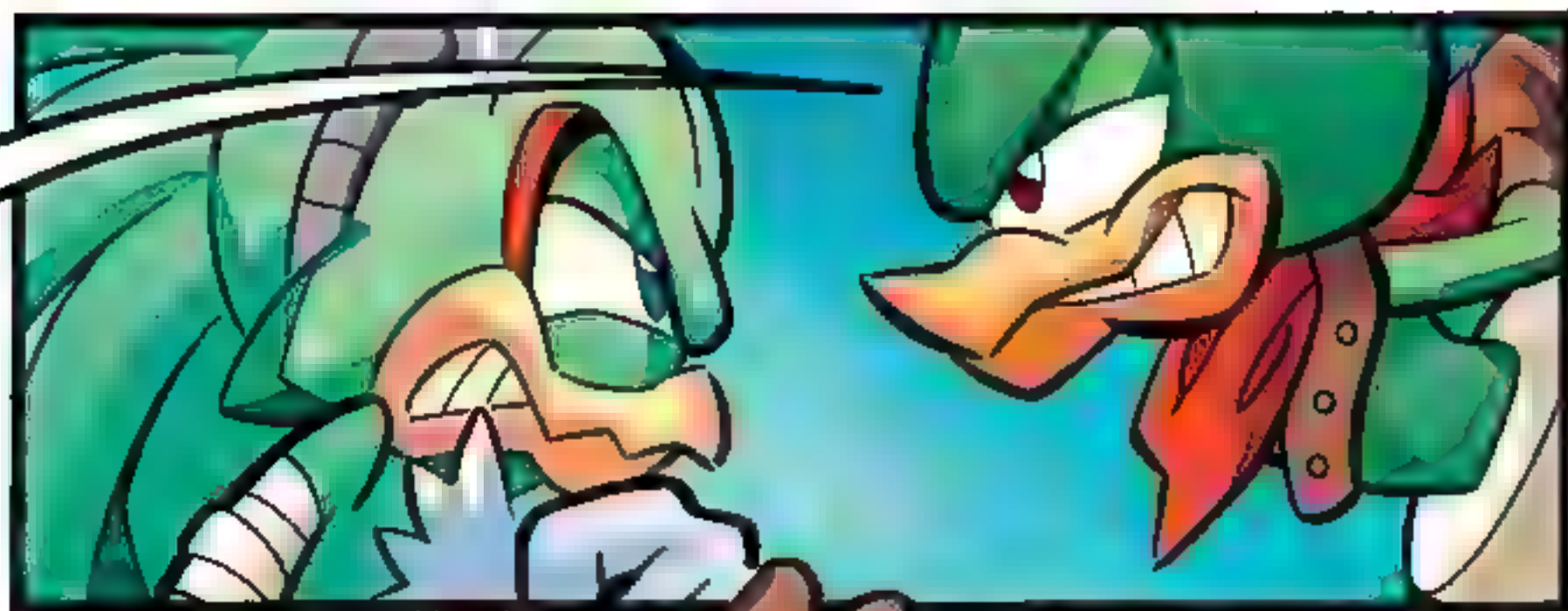
ORDER DENIED. YOU LACK SUFFICIENT SECURITY CLEARANCE. I MUST RETURN TO HOMEWORLD FOR REPAIRS.







MAYBE I SHOULD  
LEAVE THE KEY WHERE  
IT IS, AND LET YOU BE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR  
THE DOOM OF AN  
ENTIRE WORLD.  
HOW'D THAT BE FOR A  
"GREAT DESTINY"?

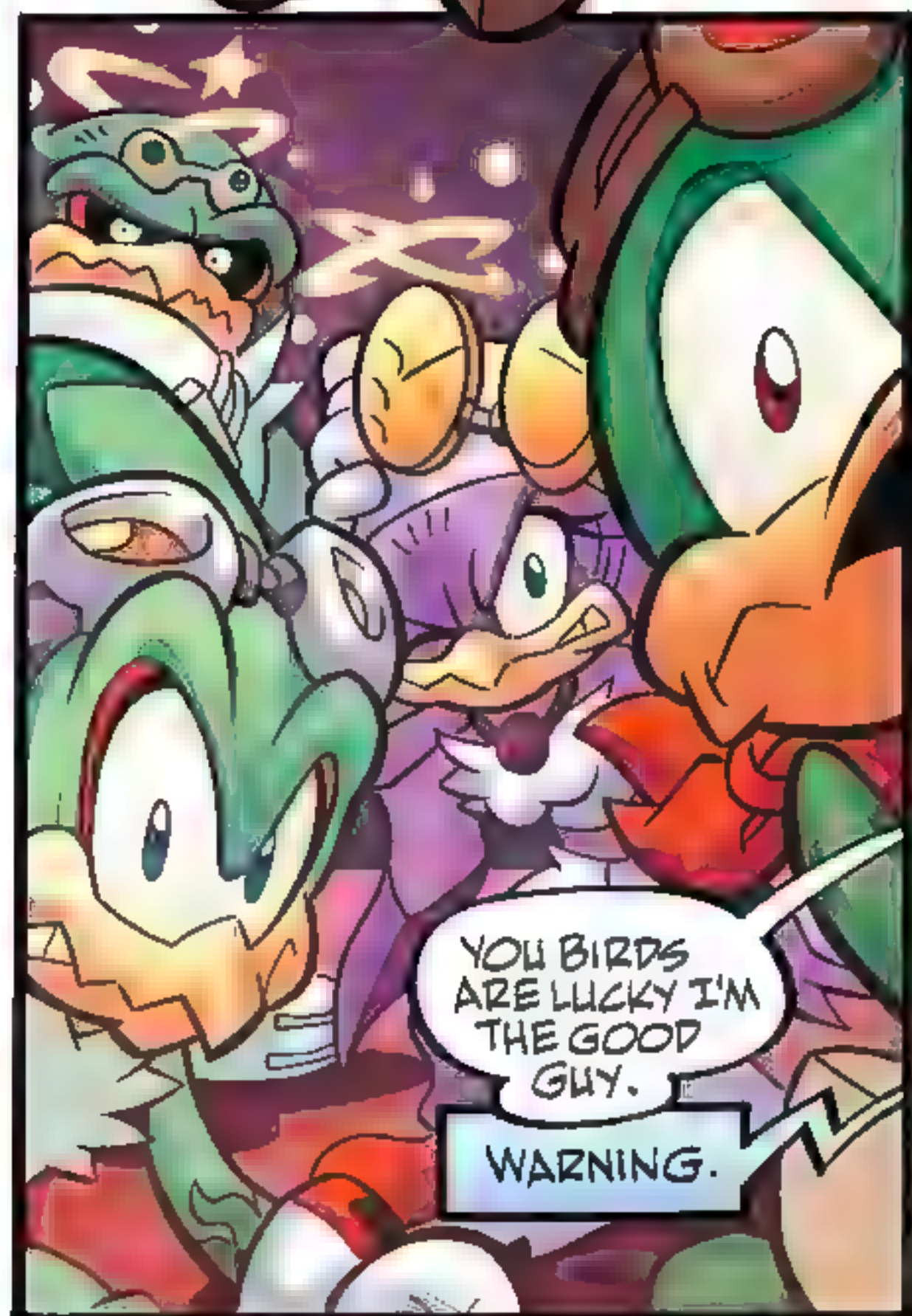


Nah. I'D RATHER  
SAVOR YOUR  
DEFEAT.  
DAD IS GOING TO  
PLUCK YOU BALD  
AND I'LL BE  
HAILED AS THE  
SAVIOR OF MOBIUS.  
ALL I HAVE TO DO  
IS PULL OUT THIS--



KEY?

WARNING.



YOU BIRDS  
ARE LUCKY I'M  
THE GOOD  
GUY.

WARNING.





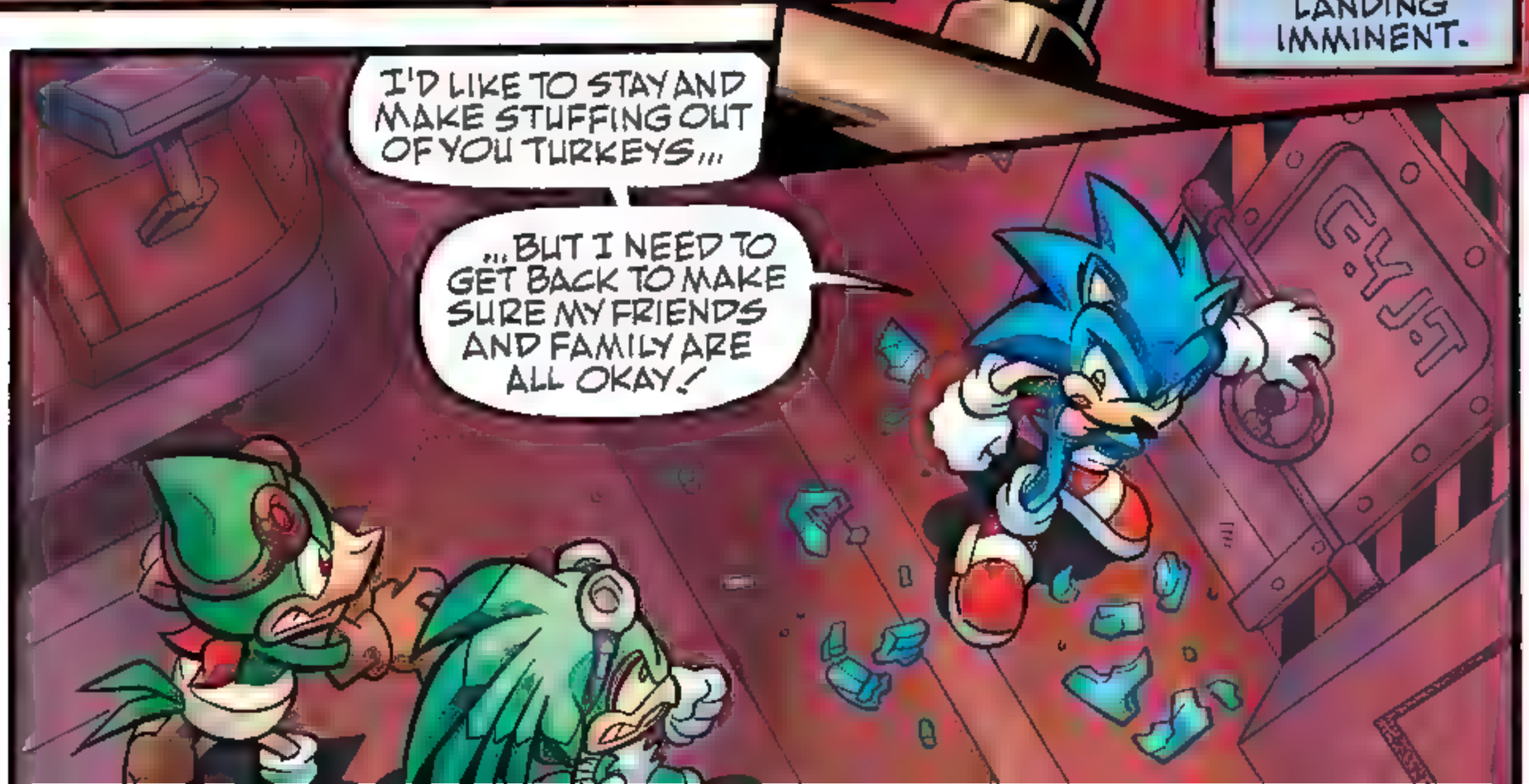
IF I WEREN'T,  
I'D MAKE SURE YOU  
JERKS COULDN'T FLY  
OUT OF HERE BEFORE  
THIS HEAP COMES  
CRASHING  
DOWN.

WARNING.

**SMASH!**

**No!**

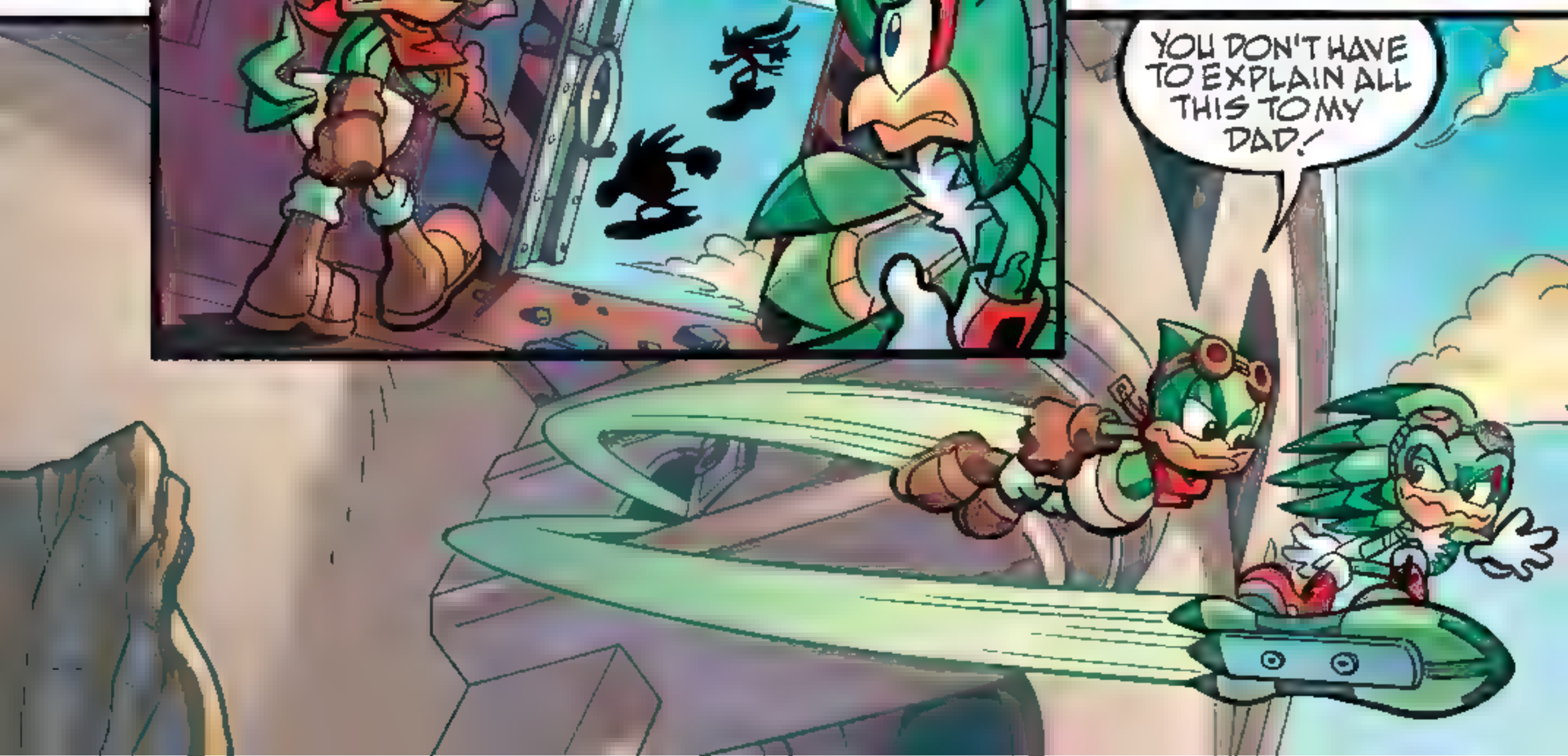
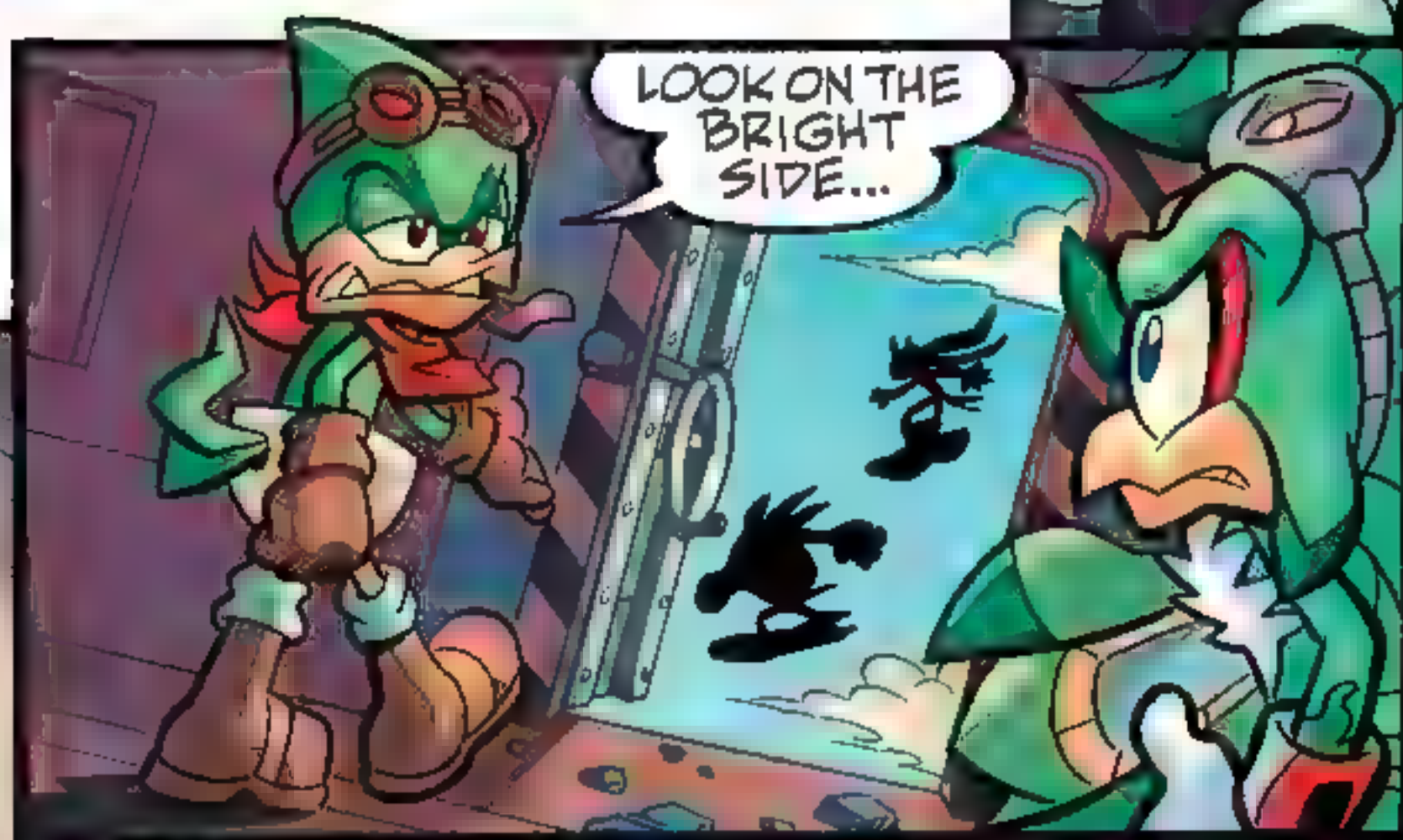
LOSS OF  
POWER TO  
ENGINES.  
ALL SYSTEMS  
FAILING. CRASH  
LANDING  
IMMINENT.



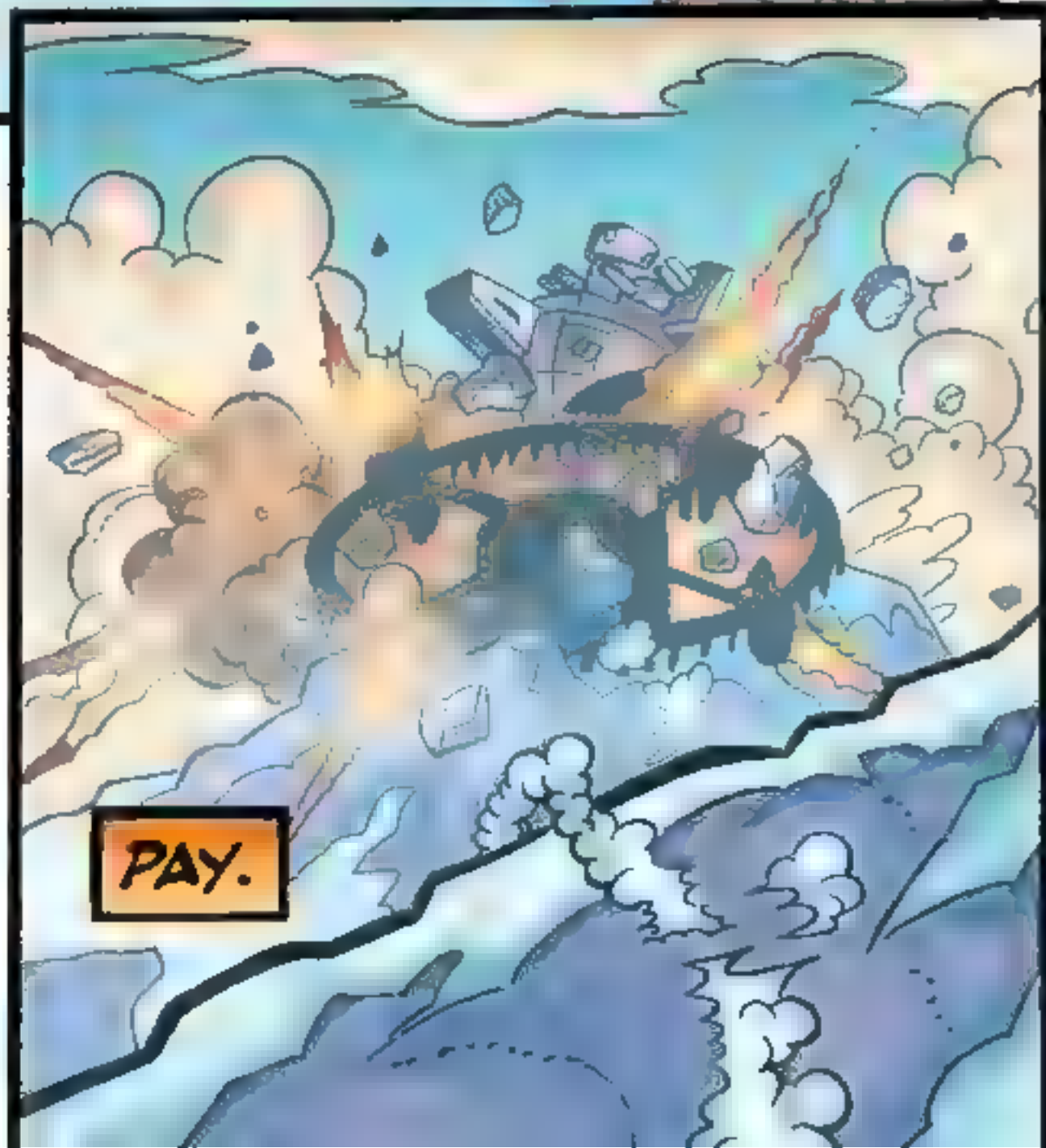
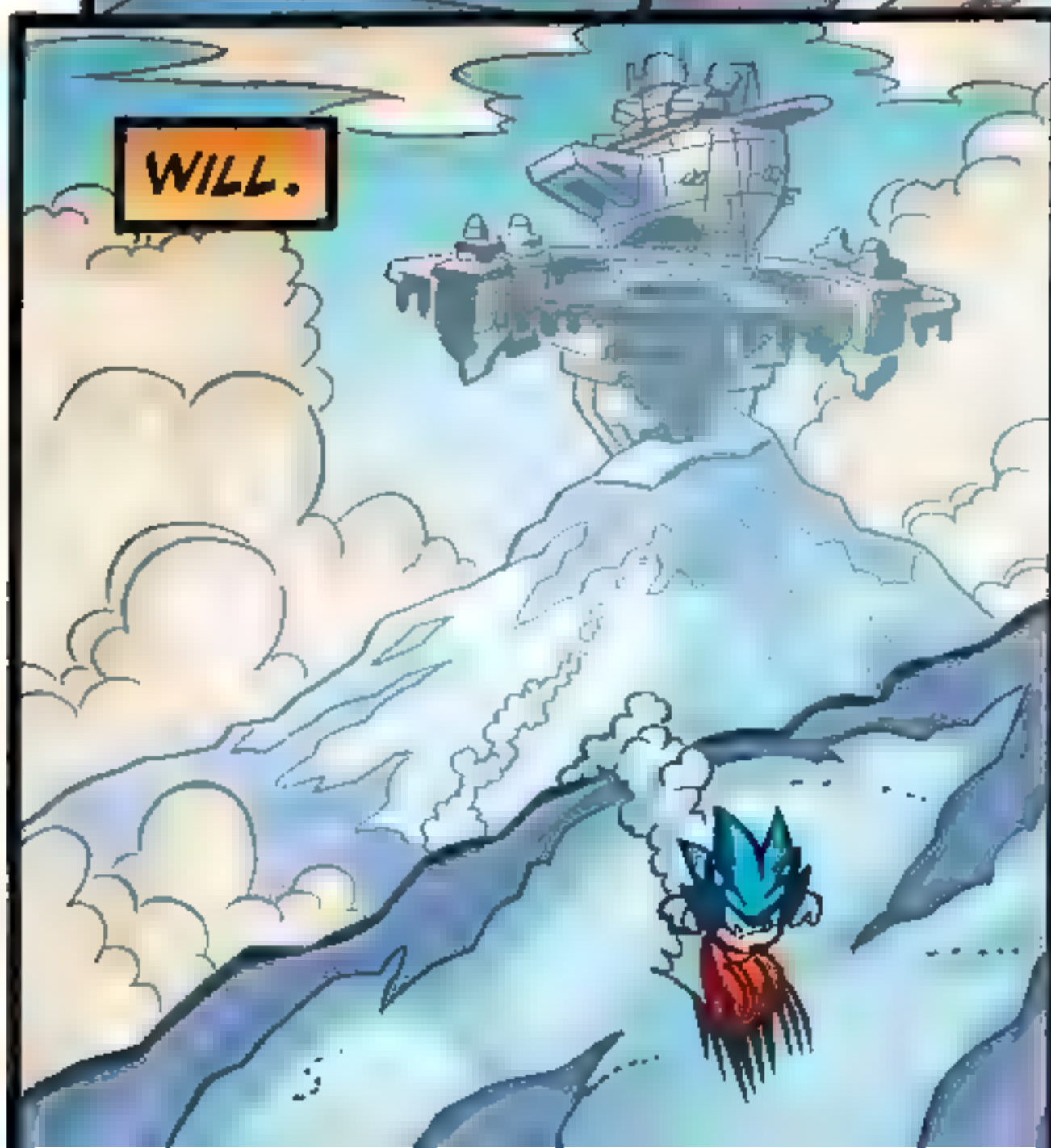
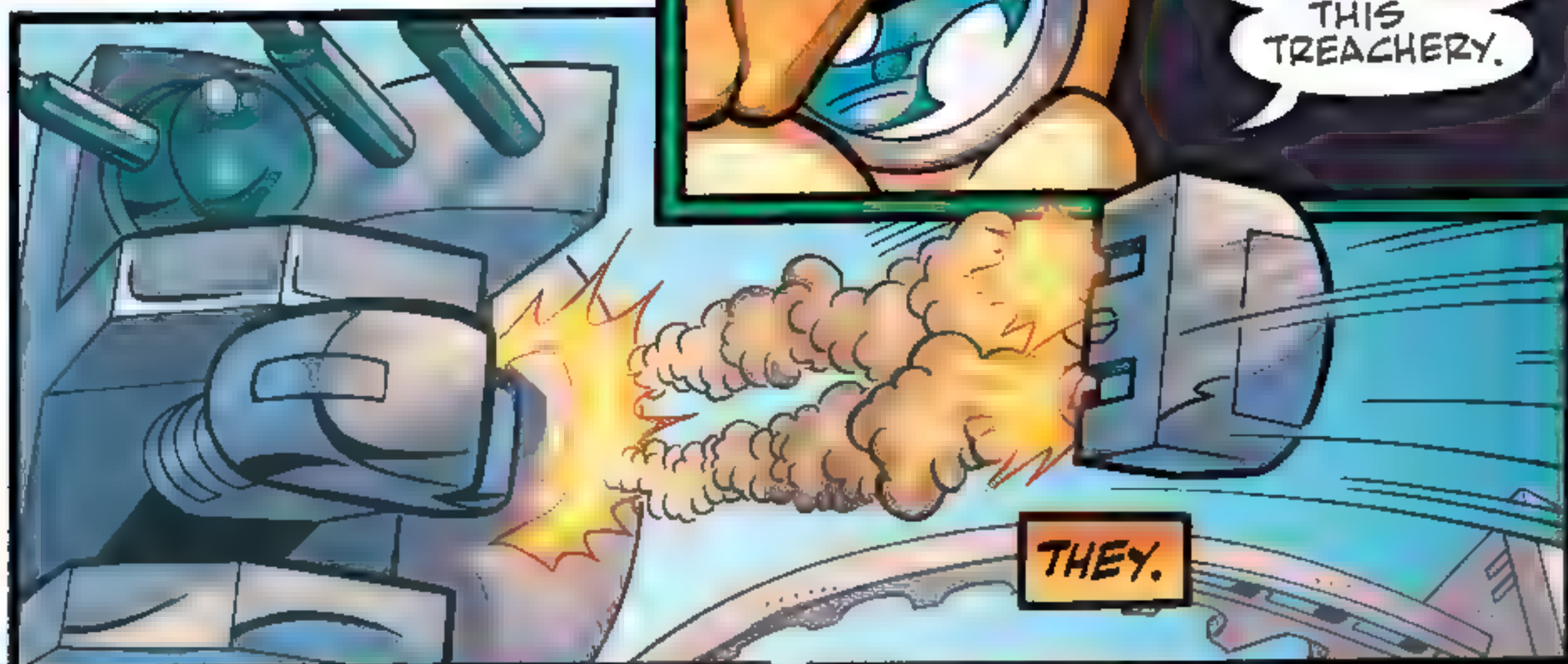
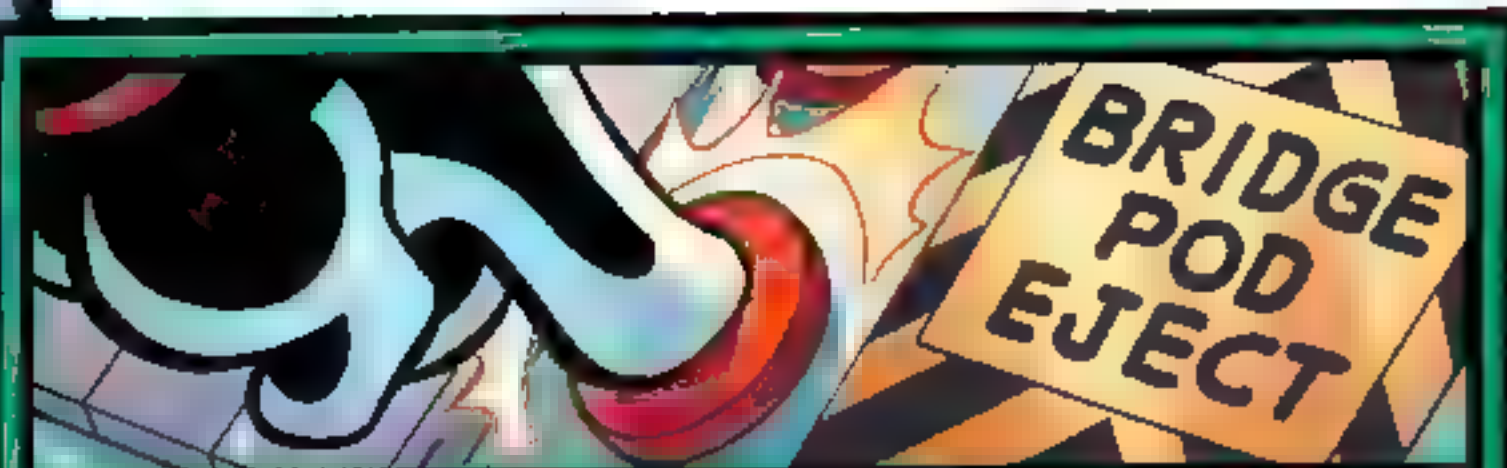
I'D LIKE TO STAY AND  
MAKE STUFFING OUT  
OF YOU TURKEYS...

...BUT I NEED TO  
GET BACK TO MAKE  
SURE MY FRIENDS  
AND FAMILY ARE  
ALL OKAY!

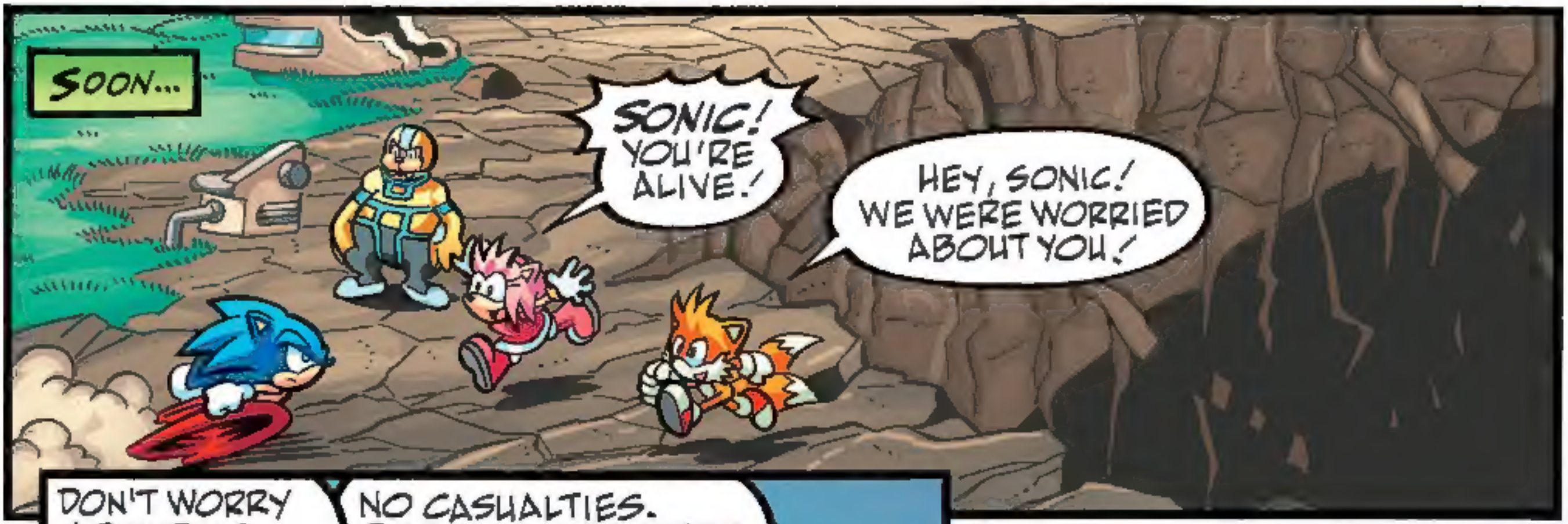












SOON...

SONIC!  
YOU'RE  
ALIVE!

HEY, SONIC!  
WE WERE WORRIED  
ABOUT YOU!



DON'T WORRY  
ABOUT ME.  
HOW'S EVERY-  
THING  
HERE?

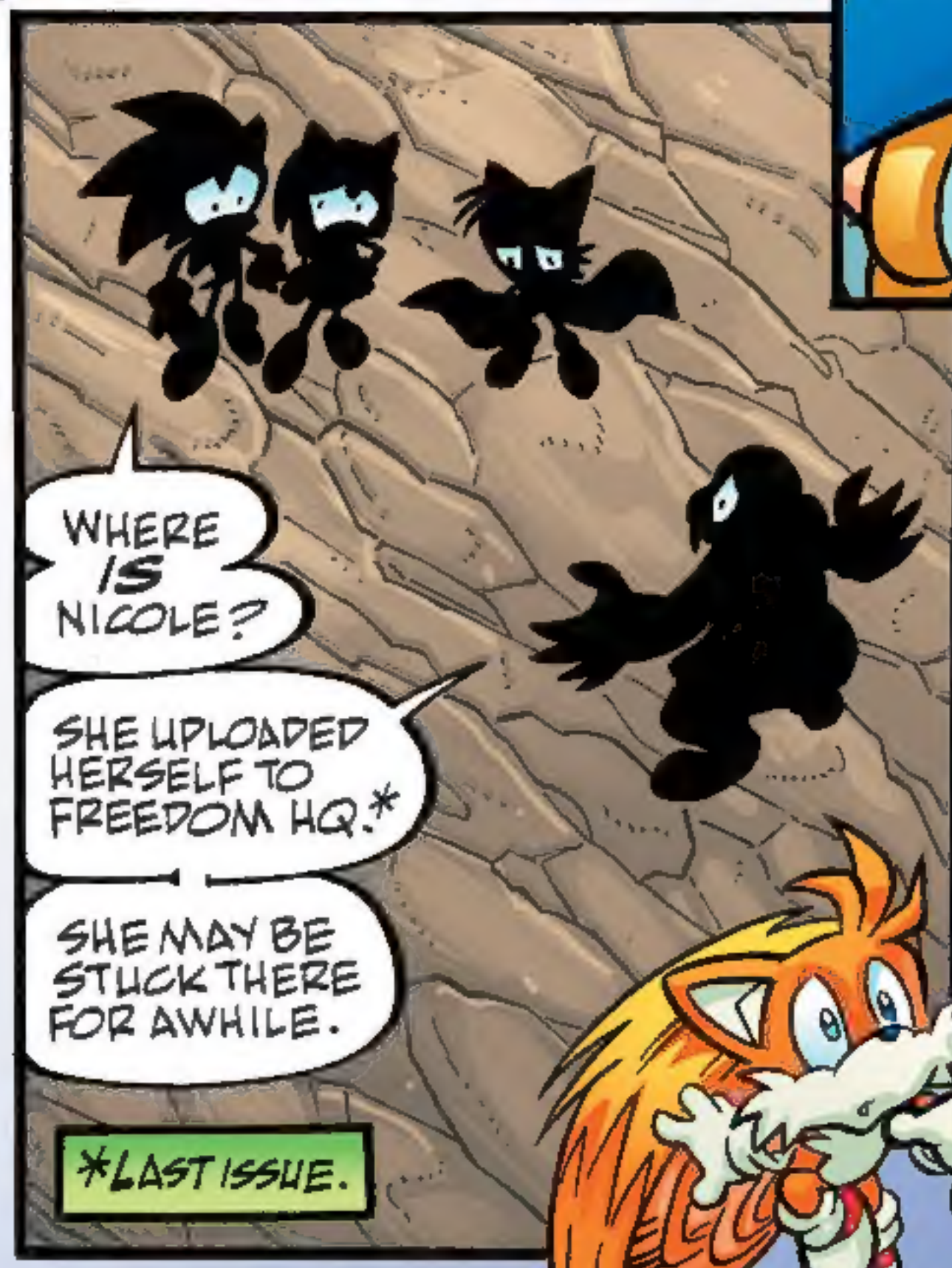
NO CASUALTIES.  
BUT NAUGHS POPPED  
OUT OF A SHADOW A  
FEW MINUTES AGO,  
AND HE'S BEEN  
ACTING KINDA  
WEIRD.

...SHUT UP!  
SHUT UP!



PEH! SO  
WHAT  
ELSE IS  
NEW?

I DIRECTED THE  
NANITES FROM MY  
SUIT TO START THE  
RECONSTRUCTION OF  
THE CITY. BUT WITH-  
OUT NICOLE, IT WILL  
BE AN ARDUOUS  
PROCESS.



WHERE  
IS  
NICOLE?

SHE UPLOADED  
HERSELF TO  
FREEDOM HQ.\*

SHE MAY BE  
STUCK THERE  
FOR AWHILE.

\*LAST ISSUE.



C'MON,  
LITTLE  
BRO!

NOW THAT I KNOW  
EVERYONE'S SAFE,  
WE BOTH HAVE A  
SCORE TO SETTLE...



"...WITH SOME ALIEN LOSERS."

GEEZ. DO YOU THINK THEY'RE ALL OKAY?!

I DOUBT A LITTLE THING LIKE CRASHING INTO A MOUNTAIN WILL STOP THE BATTLE LORD.

SO WE'RE DESCENDED FROM ALIENS?

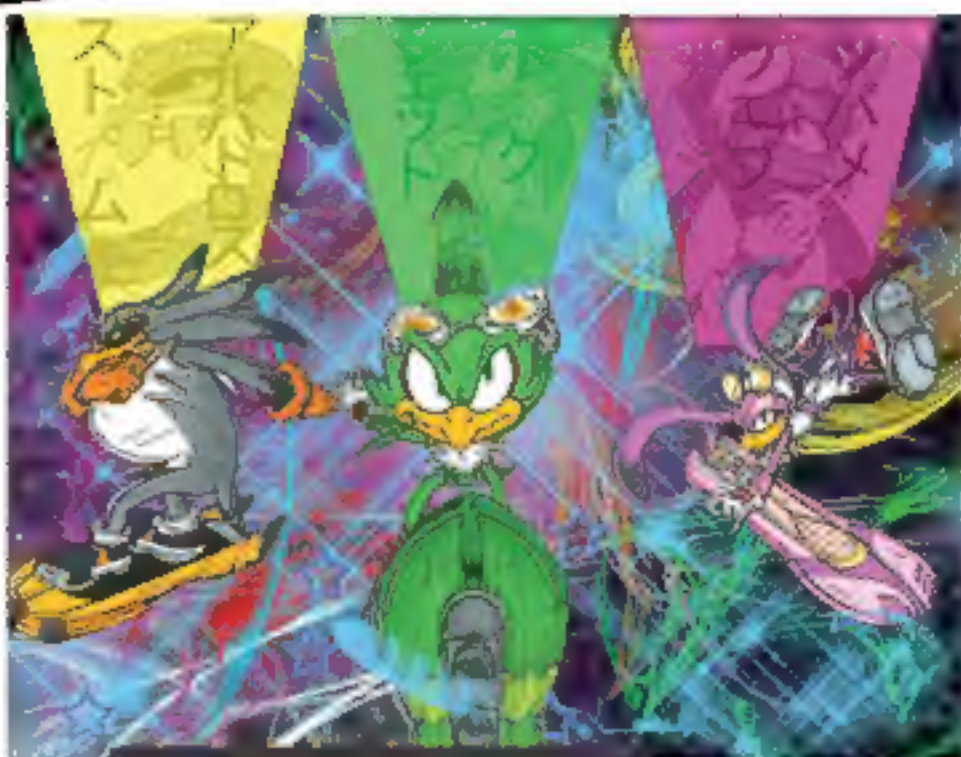
THAT'S HEAVY.

YEAH. IT REALLY CHANGES THINGS.

'LUZ NOW I GOTTA PROVE I'M THE FASTEST THING IN THE UNIVERSE!

LOOKS LIKE JET'S DESTINY DIDN'T TURN OUT LIKE HE PLANNED. OR MAYBE HE JUST HASN'T FOUND IT YET. AND WHAT WILL BECOME OF THE BATTLE BIRD ARMADA? IT'S HARD TO KEEP A GOOD VILLAIN DOWN. COME BACK NEXT MONTH TO FIND OUT WHAT THE BIGGEST BADDIE IN THE SONIC UNIVERSE IS UP TO, AS DR. EGGMAN WHIPS UP TROUBLE IN "SCRAMBLED"! AND CHECK OUT SONIC the HEDGEHOG #233 TO SEE HOW OUR HEROES DEAL WITH THE AFTERMATH OF BABYLON'S RISING!

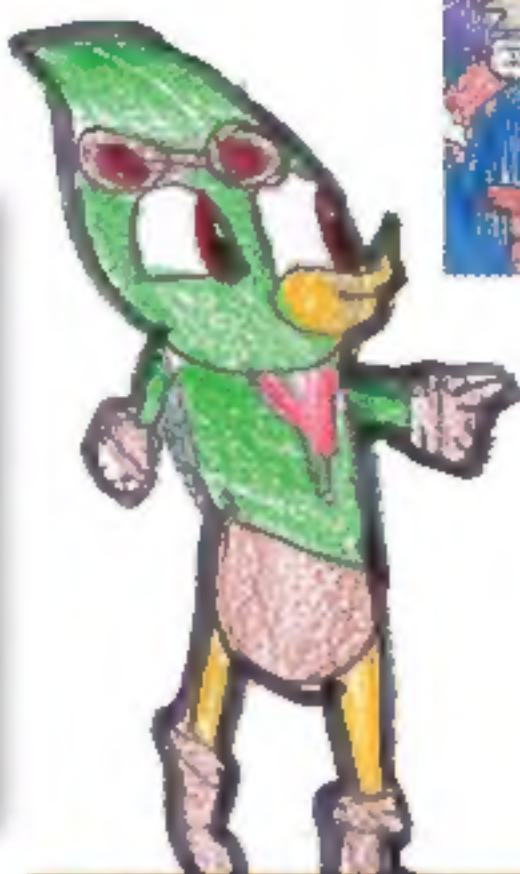




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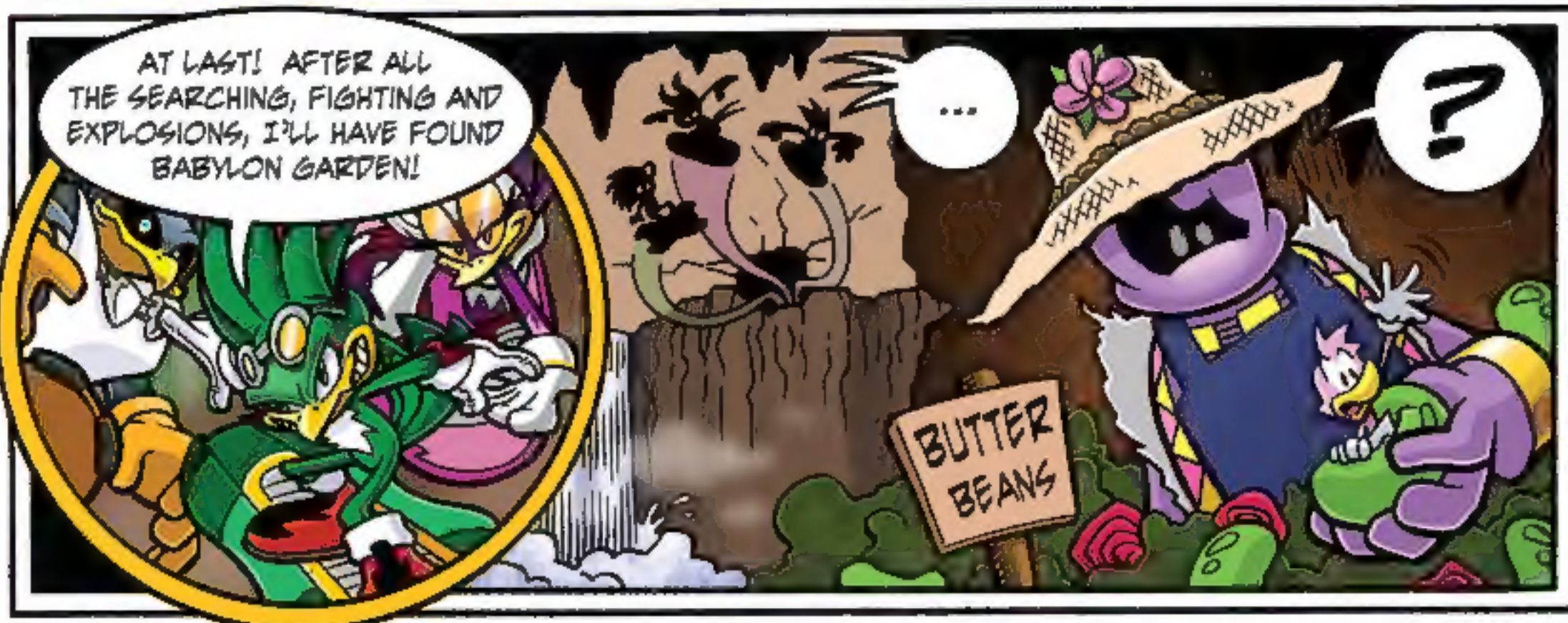
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THE BRAND NEW  
EGGMAN ARC  
BEGINS NEXT MONTH IN...

**SCRAMBLED**  
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EGGMAN UNLEASHES THE  
GRAND MASTERS OF THE DARK  
EGG LEGION! SNIVELY BETTER  
START RUNNING NOW!

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 2/21/12!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG: 233



WANT  
ANSWERS?

**YOU GOT 'EM!**

THE TRIAL OF THE CENTURY  
BEGINS, AND THE SLY  
SKUNK TELLS ALL IN...

"TRIAL OF THE TRAITOR"

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 02/07/12

Dear 'My Sonic  
Universe,'

Hi, this is my first time  
writing to you guys  
and I have only read  
#225 and #226 in  
Sonic the Hedgehog  
and Sonic Archives 1,  
2, 8, half of 9 and I'm  
working on the 3rd in  
SU.

**Wow! That's a lot of  
Sonic!**

I have a few questions,  
one about Genesis.

**Genesis? What's  
that? :)**

1. What happened with  
Sonic in Genesis did  
they get sent to the  
Sonic games reality?

**Kind of, but not  
exactly. Eggman  
reset the world in  
hopes to change the  
"chaos factor" that  
Sonic represents.  
If Eggman couldn't  
defeat Sonic in  
this reality, well  
he simply tried to  
make his own! The  
world Eggman made  
with the "Cosmic  
reset button"  
closely resembles  
the Genesis Sonic  
games.**

Well that's all for now,  
ciao!  
Sonic's #1 fan,

Dylan G.  
from Georgia

**"Chao", Dylan!**

Dear 'My Sonic  
Universe,'

I'm enjoying the  
"Babylon Rising" arc

so far, but I'm having a  
bit of a conflict here.

**Just like the Battle  
Bird Armada, Jet and  
Sonic!**

I find myself enjoying  
the antagonists  
far more than  
the protagonists.  
Unfortunately it seems  
that the Battle Bird  
Armada seem to be  
much more interesting  
and likeable than the  
Babylon Rogues.

**The hover boards,  
Duke, the hover  
boards!**

I've heard the same  
complaint by some  
of the fan base, and I  
have to agree with that  
diagnosis. The Rogues  
are a pretty difficult  
bunch to like, and after  
the Tails Adventure  
arc, the Battle Birds  
have become fan  
favorites.

**The Battle Bird  
Armada is certainly  
an interesting group.  
It's not every day you  
see a giant flying  
fortress as epic as  
theirs! But I'm sure  
you'll see the Rogues  
in a different light  
after this issue! Jet  
has got a lot to think  
about, and where the  
Rogues go from here  
is anyone's guess!**

Otherwise, I'm really  
really loving this arc  
and can't wait to  
see what happens  
next! Babylon  
Garden is under  
New Mobotropolis?

Who would have  
guessed?

**A.D.A.M., perhaps?**  
Keep on Juicin'!

Stephen C.  
sent to sonic@  
archiecomics.com

**Thanks Stephen!**

Dear 'My Sonic  
Universe,'

What is the orange  
gem that looks  
suspiciously like a  
Sol emerald that  
Silver uses?

**Silver uses a Time  
Stone to travel  
back in time in  
SU#25-28'S "The  
Silver Saga",  
which does indeed  
vaguely resemble a  
Sol Emerald!**

Please put this into  
the comic because  
I have tried several  
times and it never  
got in.

Matt R.  
from Tennessee

**You got it! Thanks  
Matt!**

**Hope you all  
enjoyed "Babylon  
Rising". Coming up  
next is Eggman's  
egg-squisite story  
arc, "Scrambled".  
Until then, be sure  
to check out the all  
new Sonic Super  
Special Magazine!**

**See y'all next  
month! Same  
Sonic time, same  
Sonic comic book!**

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in the dust! Remember, include "My Sonic Universe" in the subject line on your  
letter or e-mail! It's your Sonic Universe, after all, so drop us a line!